



Weekly Window Vol.2

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Mission Statement:

"To promote small business in general and specifically to aid, enhance and motivate each other in our respective business enterprises. Our desire is to expand the knowledge and personal network base of each and every one of our members and to make them better at what they do."

Last Meeting: Wednesday May 24, 2006

Focused Chat: Bob Rogers, Executive Director, Harvest Project

Our recent meeting was held on site of the Harvest Project, North Vancouver's answer to the growing need for a place to help out people in transition, and in danger of losing their homes.

"The Harvest Project," opened Bob in his address," is designed and intended to give people a hand up, not a hand out".

The people that make up the typical client are largely professional working people, with homes and families. Due to any number of possible circumstances, be it illness or injury, unexpected lay off, or at worse, addictions, they may be overwhelmed by a sense of despair, facing huge bills, and the threat of homelessness.

Harvest Project gives a helping hand to these people through counseling, job search and interpersonal skill development, as well as clothing for interviews, and thirty days worth of groceries to help them get by.

The Harvest Project, in turn, receives help through the kindness of strangers. Much of the funding for the project comes from private donors. Even former clients who successfully transversed their personal canyon, have now become donors.

With summer fast approaching, the funds of the Harvest Project are nearing their ebb, and the NSBSG have been charged with the challenge to raise funds for the balance of the year to an equivalent of sixty cents a day.

Verticals:

Accounting/Finance

Banking

Brokerage
(Mortgage,
securities)

Building
Inspection

Business
Services

Cleaning
Services

Communications,
Marketing
(Advertising,
Design, Sales)

Computer
H/ware

Counseling

Database Mktg

Flooring

Home
Renovation

Human
Resources
(Social
Engineering)

Insurance
(Life, Asset)

Medical
(Holistic,
Therapeutic)

Non-profit

Office Mgmt.

Real Estate
(Investment,
Sales/buying)

Retail

Software

Special Event
Mktg.

What more noble cause can there be than to help those to rise who have helped themselves, but have fallen?

Bob Rogers is a shining knight who leads those who are lost in the nighttime of their despair, to the place where the sun rises on the dawn of hope.

The NSBSG is proud, not only that Bob is one of our members but to have called the Harvest Project our own raison d'etre. We encourage those of us who can, to please support the Harvest Project, and Bob's noble crusade.

Announcements:

Sunny Chow of **RiverStar Web Solutions** wishes to thank **Bailey Jung** of **Silver Bullet Shredding** for referral business.

Neil Hamilton, President, and **realtor** for **Royal LePage North Shore** thanks **Jak Redenbach** for spearheading business contacts in an ongoing project.

Nelson Chow wishes to thank **Amanda Lin** of **Jigsaw Services** and **Velia Tham** of **VFK Travel** for ongoing business, and **Wayne Keeler** from **Ferguson Moving and Storage** for his patronage.

Rick Maysenhoelder, guest, announced to the group of a launch party for Team Burnaby on June 6th at the Metrotown Hilton, featuring future mayoralty candidate, Mike Dejong.

Guests:

Brenda Rask, Representative, **Integria Greetings**, corporate gifting with customized greeting cards. 604.773.4997. brask@integriagreetings.com. www.integriagreetings.com

Deegan French, Business Development, **Showcase Media**, indoor advertising /bulletin boards, 604.720.4337. Deegan@showcasemedia.ca

Barry Sharp, Business consultant, small business consulting, 604.889.4199. barry@barrysharp.com. www.barrysharp.com

Rick Maysenhoelder, corporate mortgage consultant. Information to follow.

Next Meeting: Wednesday May 31, 2006 *at the White Spot*****

Focused Chat: Easy Wash, tba,

Focused Chat Calendar:

May 31 - Easy Wash (the new car wash at Main & Mtn. Hwy.)

June 7 - Jose Galang, leveraging your networking skills

June 14 - Robyn Adamache, CHMC, Lower mainland Real Estate market revisited

June 28 - Darleen Gering, Burnaby Board of Trade

Networking Events:

Burnaby Board of Trade

Tuesday June 13, 2006

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Executive Hotel Burnaby, 4201 Lougheed Highway.

June Networking Breakfast

Early-bird tickets: Members \$16

Non-members \$21

After June 6th, tickets will be \$18 for members and \$24 for non-members. All prices are exclusive of GST.

The members-only Power Networking Group will follow at 9:00 a.m. This one-on-one, relationship building networking session guarantees participants business referrals.

<http://www.burnabyboardoftrade.com/events1.html#2006-05-29239>

Entrepreneurial Success Group

Tuesday May 30/06

ESN Networking Social Evening: Last Tuesday each month.

Empire Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson St. 5:30pm - 7:30pm

info@esnorg.org

<http://www.esnorg.org>

Mastering the Phone! - Phonetalk Communication Workshop (thanks to Duncan McNiven)

Thursday June 1, 6PM - Papaya Joe's, 12240 Horseshoe Way, Unit 10, Richmond BC
Wanda March has 17 award winning years in the sales professional and now teaches individuals and corporations how to be more successful in telesales.

**Richmond Chamber
Thursday June 22, 2006
June Networking Breakfast**

Tickets: Members \$13.00 Incl. GST
Non-Members \$18.00 Incl. GST

Registration 7:00 am
Breakfast & Networking 7:30 am
Location: Quilchena Golf & Country Club, 3551 Granville Avenue

SOHO www.soho.ca

Tuesday May 30, 2006
Soho "Show and Tell" Breakfast Roundtable
Sandman Hotel, Ballroom A, 180 W.Georgia St.
7:45 – 10:00 am

SOHO members: \$10
Non-Members: \$15

Vancouver Business Network Forum

- VBNF Burnaby Chapter - 2nd Tuesday of the month.
- VBNF Vancouver Chapter - 4th Wednesday of month

http://vbnf.com/next_meeting.html

Vancouver Business Network Forum (VBNF) in partnership with First Canadian Barter Exchange (FCBE) would like to invite you to our next VBNF Burnaby Chapter Meetings:

Tuesday June 13, Burnaby Chapter
"How to Make Yourself Irresistible at Networking Functions" featuring Guest Speaker Laurel Van Pander

Laurel will discuss techniques that will make you more effective at business/social networking functions.

Sponsored by FCBE and SR Brewery.

Vancouver Enterprise Forum

Tuesday, May 30, 2006

5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

On the Ground in China - Tips on Doing Business in the Middle Kingdom from Two High-Tech Veterans

The May VEF event will be held on Tuesday, May 30 at Science World. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with the presentations beginning precisely at 6:45 p.m. Pre-registration is highly recommended. Admission is free for members; WINBC Members receive a discount at www.winbc.org, \$35 for non-members. Please register online at www.vef.org.

Resource Guide:

Online Business Webinars:

http://main.placeware.com/demos/web_seminar_archive.cfm

Virtual Handshake – online business Book

<http://thevirtualhandshake.com/free-book-download.htm>

<http://vancouver.craigslist.org/>

<http://www.soho.ca/>

<http://www.vef.org/web/EventDetails.asp?ProductID=82>

Chamber events:

http://www.hpmarketing.com/cgi-bin/events_calendar.cgi

Networking Database:

LinkedIn Resources: SONI Canada

<http://www.atomicacreative.com/sonicanada.html>

<https://www.linkedin.com/home>

Job Boards:

<http://charityvillage.com/>, <http://working.canada.com/vancouver/index.html>

<http://jb-ge.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/>, <http://regionalhelpwanted.com/home/167.htm?sn=167>

Social / Event Management:

<http://gracioushost.ca/>, www.perfectday.ca, www.tgifbc.com