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150 years of excellence and innovation in professional services



1845

William Welch Deloitte opens an accountancy practice in London, England

1858

Philip S. Ross opens an accountancy firm in Montreal

1882

The Bell Telephone Company of Canada hires Philip Ross to prepare its first audited annual report

1899

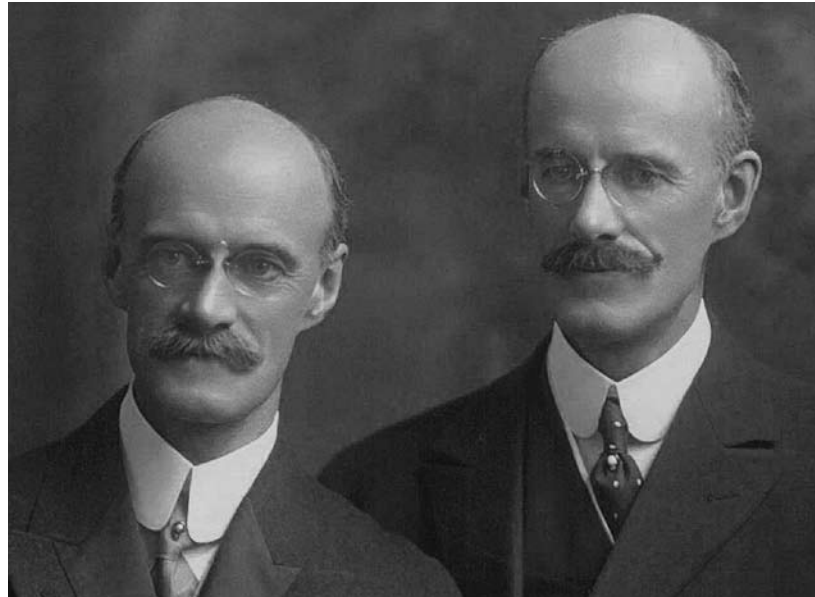
George A. Touche founds an accounting firm in London, England

Building the house of Ross

Philip Simpson Ross was born at a military garrison in Belfast, Ireland, in 1827, where his father served in a British infantry regiment. In 1832, the Ross family returned to their ancestral home in Glasgow, Scotland. Extremely proud of his Scottish heritage, Ross would later wryly comment that “notwithstanding the accident of my birth in Ireland, I am a Scotchman.” By the late 1840s, Ross was working as a bookkeeper, as his father had. Although Ross loved Scotland, he dreamed of a wider field of opportunity and, in June 1851, he emigrated to Montreal. He was twenty-three years old. Ross arrived in Canada, still a British colony, during a period of rapid economic and social transformation: The Great Irish Famine drove approximately 250,000 destitute Irish refugees to the colony between 1846 and 1851.

Ross took up as a bookkeeper, first with a wholesale dry goods firm, and later with the Montreal Marine Works. The large shipyard manufactured wooden hulls and steamship engines, and by the late 1850s employed more than two hundred workers. Ross’ association with the shipbuilding firm appears to have influenced his first independent business venture. During the mid-1850s, Ross began what he called “a mercantile career,” organizing a ship chandlery at 8 & 10 Grey Nun Street in Montreal. The firm offered an array of ship provisions, most notably sail canvas, paints, delivery hoses, and grain bags.

On May 1, 1858, Ross expanded his business, setting himself up as an accountant, custom house, and commission agent next door to the chandlery business. Ross soon circulated business announcements throughout the small city. The chandlery did well enough that in 1860 Ross brought his brother James, and later his brother William, to Canada to join him as business partners. By the mid-1870s,



In 1883, Ross was the boss. His sons acknowledged his command of the firm by calling him “Governor.”

Ross had established a stable, if modest, accounting practice. By far the most important of Ross’s early clients was the Sun Mutual Life Insurance Company of Montreal. Founded in 1871, the firm was one of several Canadian life insurance companies to emerge in the late nineteenth century. The insurance business boomed due to government regulations that required both foreign and domestic insurers to have sufficient assets to cover their liabilities, and – offering innovative insurance products – the firm flourished. Ross served as the company’s first auditor, establishing a strong relationship that would span one hundred consecutive years.

In late 1879, Ross formalized the foundation of the family dynasty, establishing P. S. Ross & Sons. Claiming

as its mission “the purpose of carrying out the business of accountants,” the firm included Ross, who was now fifty-two, and two of his five sons, James George Ross and William Gillies Ross. On April 3, 1883, P. S. Ross & Sons consummated its first partnership agreement. Ross was the boss. The total annual business of the new firm was a mere C\$10,000, but the agreement gave Ross C\$2,000 per year – each of his sons netted C\$500 per year. Ross’s sons acknowledged his command of the firm by calling him “Governor.”

In March 1882, the Bell Telephone Company of Canada hired Ross to prepare its first audited annual report. The firm, which was incorporated on April 29, 1880, by Alexander Melville

Bell (father of Alexander Graham Bell, the telephone’s inventor) and nine other investors, eventually controlled most of the telephone system in Ontario and Quebec. Ross audited and certified the annual report of the directors, reviewing costs associated with the purchase of competing telephone exchanges and other capital expenditures. During the 1890s, P. S. Ross & Sons continued to expand its accounting and audit engagements. To meet increasing client demands, the firm hired its first employee, Andrew Morris. In addition, P. S. Ross & Sons absorbed two more Ross sons, Alexander Fleming Copeland Ross and John Wardrop Ross. At the same time, Ross, who was sixty-eight years old in 1895, increasingly withdrew from the day-to-day operations of the firm. Ross died on February 1, 1907, at the age of 80.

With the death of his father, James George Ross took over the firm. Under his direction the firm grew incrementally, and by 1900 it employed ten full-time workers and paid approximately \$2,560 in total wages. The majority of the employees were junior staff who prepared ledger books and assisted with routine office tasks. P. S. Ross & Sons also continued to expand its list of audit clients. At century’s end, clients included the Montreal and Boston Copper Company, Office Specialty Manufacturing Company Limited, and Ocean Accident and Guaranty Corporation, among others. It was a testament to the Ross brothers’ ambition and sophistication that they privately referred to their burgeoning firm as “the House of Ross.”

Looking back with pride. Looking around the corner – and the world – for our clients.

1911

J. Arthur LaRue, with Eugène Trudel, found the first public accounting office in Quebec City and the first French-Canadian practice in the province

Lucien Bélair is an early and distinguished partner. Through mergers, LaRue’s firm eventually becomes the Samson Bélair/Deloitte & Touche

George A. Touche & Co. Canada is established. Touche himself retains ultimate authority over the Canadian offices



1925

Deloitte, Plender & Griffiths & Co. and Haskins & Sells merge in Canada, Cuba and Mexico

Past. Present. Future.



Q. With the firm into its 150th year, how do you think the history of the firm has shaped its present and its opportunities for the future? Where do you think Deloitte will be 150 years from now?

“Our vision to be the standard of excellence has roots dating to 1858. There are many wonderful stories in our history, and we can learn a lot from them. I’m sure that if Philip S. Ross was here today, he would be proud that the firm he started has grown to be the largest professional services firm in the country. His spirit of entrepreneurship and commitment to serving clients paved the way for each succeeding generation of professionals to make our firm stronger. Looking forward, I am confident the people of Deloitte will continue to make our founders proud.”

Alan MacGibbon
Managing Partner and Chief Executive



Q. Our firm is dedicated to promoting diversity in and outside the workplace. What elements from our history paved the way for creating an inclusive environment?

“Our firm is a mosaic of the firms that have been brought together over our 150 years of growth. Bound by a common respect for differences, and the value that different perspectives bring to our clients, our people and our markets, we have woven the fabric of our firm.”

Paul Fletcher
Managing Partner, Vancouver

Deloitte named Official Professional Services Provider to Vancouver 2010 Winter Games

Sharing a passion to perform

February 12, 2010 will be an important date in Canadian history as the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games takes centre stage. The mission of VANOC —Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Winter Games — is to ‘touch the soul of the nation and inspire the world by creating and delivering an extraordinary Olympic and Paralympic experience with lasting legacies.’

As the Official Professional Services Provider to the Vancouver 2010 Winter Games, Deloitte is proud to play our part in helping VANOC achieve their mission. We’re providing full time resources to work in the finance group at VANOC as well as delivering Internal Audit, Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability, French Translation, Corporate Finance, Dissolution Consulting, Tax and a variety of other services. Deloitte’s selection by VANOC speaks to our depth and breadth of experience in a wide range of professional services and our winning mix of local expertise supported by professionals across Canada, combined with global connections and experience with local Olympic organizing committees. It also reflects our commitment to our communities whom we support as a firm and as individuals, and to the pride we have in our country and our athletes and coaches.

This sponsorship provides wonderful opportunities for our people to get involved and they are excited about the role they will play in helping VANOC achieve its goals for the Vancouver 2010 Winter Games. At Deloitte, we have the same passion to perform as our athletes who will do our nation proud come 2010.



1929

Maurice Samson’s independent Quebec City practice merges with LaRue & Trudel

1958

George A. Touche & Co. and P.S. Ross & Sons merge to form Touche Ross



Sharing our insight

IFRS

The Countdown is on!

With International Financial Reporting Standards – or IFRS – becoming mandatory for all profit-oriented publicly accountable enterprises at the beginning of the 2011 fiscal year, the IFRS conversion clock is ticking. According to Deloitte IFRS leader **Don Newell**, the average mid-sized company will require a full year to convert from Canadian GAAP to IFRS. And because this change is mandatory for so many organizations, the demand for expertise as the deadline nears is expected to be like a mad rush to the latest shipment of Wii Fit.

Anticipating the market demand for tailored Canadian IFRS solutions, Deloitte has established a cross-Canada network of IFRS specialists who are already knee-deep in preparing clients to make the switch. Because IFRS conversion goes beyond the audit – affecting controls, IT systems, human resources, change management, valuation and more – the impact of IFRS will be significant.

Preparing Deloitte people

To prepare its people, Deloitte has developed an IFRS-specific curriculum to help the firm's professionals understand how individual standards will affect their clients. The distinct approach has earned the Canadian firm recognition as one of six Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu IFRS Centres of Excellence – allowing Deloitte Canada to tap into other countries' IFRS experiences, while maintaining a uniquely Canadian perspective.

Preparing our clients

To prepare Canadian companies, Deloitte's IFRS specialists regularly share their knowledge at industry conferences, and have established accessible IFRS resources. For example:

- The **Deloitte IFRS Resource Centre** – part of the firm's online Centre for Corporate Governance – serves as a one-stop IFRS shop for tools, updates and checklists.
- Our subscription-based **IFRS Countdown** newsletter delivers the latest IFRS regulatory updates, conversion insights from specialists, and useful (IFRS) Q-boosting tidbits.

Questions

Contact a Deloitte IFRS professional by visiting, www.deloitteifrs.ca



Respond to market volatility

Canadian companies are undoubtedly feeling the impact of the global financial crisis. The ripple effect translates into both unimagined risks – and potential opportunities. On one hand, organizations must cope with the credit crunch, currency fluctuations and volatile markets. On the other hand, now is the time to be proactive and take charge: strengthen your competitive stance, improve your cash position, and prepare for the long haul. To achieve this balance, you need to act definitively to control the situation – before it controls you. Time is of the essence. Deloitte has professionals equipped with the skills needed to help your organization navigate through this difficult time. For more information, please visit www.deloitte.com/ca/volatility

Your business issues – our insights

For an in-depth look at today's pressing issues that can help an organization better understand the key drivers behind success, visit www.deloitte.ca

Podcasts

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Green supply chain management: Opportunity today, imperative tomorrow



Valerie Chort, national leader of Deloitte's Corporate Responsibility & Sustainability practice, and Stephen Brown, a partner with the firm's Supply Chain practice, explore the benefits of a "greener" supply chain, from improved supplier relationships to reduced packaging. (20 minutes)

Succession planning: Ignore at your own risk



Harley Mintz, a tax partner with Deloitte's Private Company Services group, discusses the key elements of a good succession plan, including the main disposition strategies, the unique challenges of a family transfer, and how to maximize the value of a business over the long term. (19 minutes)

Canadian technology, media and telecommunications trends



John Ruffolo and Duncan Stewart of Deloitte's Technology, Media & Telecommunications industry group reveal how emerging TMT trends will affect Canadian businesses. Learn how these predictions can help manage risk, enhance strategic planning and boost the bottom line. (15 minutes)

Publications

Mastering finance in government



Deloitte Research recently released a report entitled *Mastering finance in government: Transforming the government enterprise through better financial management*. This study provides a comprehensive look at the world of finance and includes feedback from more than 200 government officials from 28 countries. The results highlight significant gaps between current needs and capabilities, but also a remarkable level of agreement about how government agencies need to strengthen and better integrate their finance capabilities.

Running IT as a business



Deloitte conducted a survey of senior IT executives from Canada's top financial institutions. The survey report, *Running IT as a business*, examines the key challenges identified by the respondents and provides IT organizations with insight on how to align with and improve their value within the business.

The questions in the survey covered a wide range of topics including: business-aligned structure and leadership, pragmatic governance, performance-based metrics, product definitions and cost drivers, innovation, and talent management.

The survey data indicated that many IT organizations are struggling just to keep pace with the ever-increasing demands of the business.

To download a copy of these publications, please visit www.deloitte.ca

1967

First Deloitte management consulting group forms in Montreal

1969

Touche Ross & Co. name is adopted globally

1971

Deloitte Plender Haskins & Sells is renamed Deloitte Haskins & Sells in Canada

1980

Winspear Higgins Stevenson and Co. merges with Deloitte Haskins & Sells

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Haskins+Sells

National news

Making diversity part of Deloitte's DNA

Deloitte must continue to evolve with Canada's changing business environment by attracting and retaining talented people from a range of backgrounds. Diversity must be part of the firm's organizational DNA – ensuring that the faces and experiences of Deloitte mirror an increasingly diverse Canada.

Last year, Deloitte established a National Diversity Council, led by partner **Jane Allen**, the firm's Chief Diversity Officer. This coast-to-coast council has made headway in making diversity a concrete priority at Deloitte, developing scorecards that help business leaders track and measure progress in key areas – like recruitment, leadership admissions, promotions and turnover.

Cross-country People Networks have been developed, focused on creating an inclusive work environment. Examples include:

- **Canadian Women's Initiative** (CanWin) organizes internal and external events that address workplace gender topics. Other groups include **Women Mentoring Women** – supporting the retention and advancement of women in the

Consulting business; and **Career Moms** which provides networking and information sharing for female professionals who are also mothers.

- **Women of Influence Luncheons** – Deloitte is the title sponsor of this series, which provides a forum for high-profile Canadian business women to share advice and inspiration.
- **LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) Employees at Deloitte (LEAD)** – aims to develop the internal community of LGBT professionals within Deloitte. Externally, the Vancouver office sponsored Vancouver Pride Society's Dine with Pride event in 2008 and coming in May 2009, Fit for a Queen, an event that raises money for people with HIV/Aids.

Deloitte signs on as Canada's Top 40 Under 40 sponsor

Deloitte has a unique new connection to up-and-coming Canadians like TV personality Sarah Richardson, Tsawwassen First Nation Chief Kim Baird and Lasik MD President Mark Cohen. As the newest co-sponsor of Canada's Top 40 Under 40™ awards, Deloitte is aligned with these and other Top 40 winners and alumni – who range from

brew-masters to doctors, and from financial whizzes to humanitarians. The awards celebrate individuals who have achieved notable success before the age of 40.

Making a connection

"The Top 40 Under 40 are leaders of today and tomorrow, and role models for young Canadians. Sponsoring these awards aligns perfectly with our commitment to associating with Canada's most talented professionals," says Deloitte Marketplace leader Larry Scott.

About the awards

While the awards program itself is managed by its founders The Caldwell Partners, The Top 40 Under 40 are selected by a National Advisory Board. This 27-person panel, representing a cross-section of Canadian geographies and industries, considers the nominees' achievements in:

- Vision and leadership
- Innovation and achievement
- Impact
- Community involvement and contribution
- Growth/development strategy

For more information, visit www.top40award-canada.org For a complete list and profiles of this year's winners, check out the Globe & Mail's Top 40 Under 40 insert.



Directors' Series

For the past four years, the Directors' Series has examined some of the critical issues facing corporate directors. Led by Vice-Chair Don Wilkinson and former Vice-Chair Jim Goodfellow, the Directors' Series remains a pre-eminent source of information for boards of directors. This year, each two-hour event will be broadcast by satellite to 17 cities across Canada, with sessions timed to provide directors with current information just before their quarterly and year-end board meetings.

This interactive series covers the following topics:

- Market uncertainty: What boards need to know
- IFRS progress report and year-end audit committee update
- A legal update and the changing role of the board secretary and general counsel
- Managing governance processes in small-cap and private companies

For more information, please visit www.deloitte.com/ca/directorsseries



Best Managed program

Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies is one of the country's leading business awards programs, recognizing excellence in Canadian-owned and managed companies with revenues over \$10 million. Deloitte, in partnership with CIBC Commercial Banking, National Post and Queens School of Business sponsors this prestigious awards program.



Every year, hundreds of entrepreneurial companies compete for this designation in a rigorous and independent process that evaluates the calibre of their management abilities and practices.

The awards are granted on three levels:

- 1) Best Managed winner (one of the 50 new winners selected each year)
- 2) Requalified member (repeat winners retain the Best Managed designation for two additional years, subject to annual operational and financial review)
- 3) Platinum Club member (winners that maintain Best Managed status for a minimum of six consecutive years).

To recommend a future Best Managed company, contact us at 50best@deloitte.ca
To view past winners, please visit www.canadas50best.com

1981

Touche Ross merges with Gardner McDonald & Co based in Montreal, Toronto, Edmonton, and Calgary

1983

Touche Ross celebrates its 125th anniversary

1987

Toronto-based Deloitte Haskins & Sells announces a merger with Samson Bélair. The combined firm operates as Samson Bélair in Quebec and Deloitte Haskins & Sells in the rest of Canada

Deloitte Foundation established. Its mission is to make a difference to our communities through focused contributions of our financial resources

Vancouver news

Putting our best in a position to lead

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2008 UFE results

This year we had 32 employees pass the Uniform Final Examination! Our local UFE writers had a pass rate of 86% beating the overall national pass rate of 71%. On December 5, we celebrated our UFE writer's success with the annual tie-cutting ceremony at the Pan Pacific Hotel.

Alumni event 08

Thank you to all of those who attended our alumni event on November 26, 2008 at The Orpheum Theater.

We look forward to our opportunities to connect with each of you every year and your input helps make it a great success. As always, we would like to hear from you if you have any feedback about the event or if you have any suggestions for next year, please contact vanalumni@deloitte.ca.



Make sure you mark your calendars - the next alumni event will be held on November 18, 2009 at The Vancouver Art Gallery.



1990

Touche Ross merges with Deloitte Haskins & Sells Samson Bélair

1999

Canadian firm aligns with the global affiliate, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu (DTT), one of the world's leading professional service firms

2002

1,000 Andersen Canada partners and staff to join Deloitte & Touche, creating Canada's largest professional services firm

Alumni award winners

In 2008, we sent out a call for nominations to all Vancouver alumni asking them to put forward the name of a fellow alumnus to receive one of four 2008 Deloitte Alumni Awards. A \$5,000 donation was made, on behalf of each winner, to the charity of their choice – in keeping with Deloitte's commitment to supporting the communities in which we live and work. The four inaugural awards were handed out at an awards ceremony at The Orpheum Theatre on November 26, 2008.

Judged by alumni, for alumni

To further involve our alumni, the Vancouver Alumni Committee invited five successful professionals and former Deloitte employees to serve as the judges:

- Helen Blackburn, Senior Vice-President of Finance & Strategy and CFO of Credential Financial Inc.
- Mike Cordoba, CEO of Empresario Capital Partners
- Richard Rees, CEO of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia
- Peter Meredith, Deputy Chairman of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd.
- Geri Prior, CFO of the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia

Keep your eyes open for the 2009 Alumni Awards call for nominations!



Sean Morrison Rising Star

About

Sean Morrison graduated from the University of British Columbia with a Degree in Commerce in 1991. He worked as a summer student at Deloitte in 1990 and articulated from 1991 to 1993. Sean's first job was as Controller of Columbia Capital Management Corp, a local venture capital group. He was also Vice President

and owner of the Columbia Diversified Software Fund and raised over \$50 million of tax assisted venture capital to finance Canadian software companies. In 1995, Sean joined Capital West Partners, a Vancouver-based investment banking firm and became a Partner in 2000. For over 12 years at Capital West, Sean advised companies across Canada with respect to capital raising (senior debt, subordinated debt and private equity), recapitalizations, outright sales, IPOs, debt restructurings, asset sales, acquisitions, valuations and fairness opinions. He has been the financial advisor to many of B.C.'s premier companies.

In 2007, Sean was selected by Business in Vancouver as one of Vancouver's Top Forty Under 40. In July 2008, Sean partnered with Johnny Ciampi, (also a Deloitte alumni), to raise over \$100 million to start an opportunistic private equity fund – the Maxam Opportunities Fund. A significant portion of the capital raised was from Sean's former clients and people he's worked with in the past.

Charity – imagine1day

Sean directed his donation to imagine1day. imagine1day provides an opportunity for donors to be directly connected to projects that provide primary education for all children in Ethiopia. Donors are able to support any of the elements of an education venture, such as the roof of a classroom, the water system, or the desks and blackboards. One hundred per cent of donations fund the project of choice and no administration fees are kept. imagine1day allows donors to determine the most effective way to maximize their donation in high quality primary education. Whether their preference is a short-term, high impact, needs-driven endeavor, or a long term commitment to elevate the capacity of a community, there's a project for everyone. Donors are also provided concise financial and progress reports that connect to the outcome of the donation.



Eric Carlson Entrepreneurship

About

Eric Carlson has been involved in the real estate development and investment business since the early 1980s. After a brief career as a chartered accountant, Eric worked for Western Canada's largest shopping centre developer rising to the role of Vice President of Finance.

In 1991, Eric founded Anthem Properties, building the organization into a growth-oriented, integrated real estate investment, development and management company with property interests in Canada and the U.S. Over the last 17 years, Anthem has acquired, operated and/or developed over 100 projects representing over \$2 billion in assets in retail, residential, industrial and office asset classes.

Eric has a variety of business interests outside of real estate and has acted as a co-founder, investor, director and/or advisor to a number of businesses in the manufacturing, mining and technology spaces. He is currently on the boards of Sitemasher Software Ltd, MAG Silver Corporation, PTM Metals Corporation, West Timmons Resources, Vaughn Custom Sports Canada Ltd. and Northam Breweries – owner operators of a variety of beer brands including Whistler Beer and Bowen Island Beer.

Outside of business, Eric is on the board of the Urban Development Institute – B.C. Chapter, is actively

involved in the Young Presidents Organization and is a past president of the Grouse Mountain Tyee Ski Club. Eric is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia.

Charity – Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vancouver

Eric directed his donation to the Boys & Girls Club. Through its volunteers the Boys & Girls Club embodies the core values of inclusion and opportunity, respect and belonging, empowerment, collaboration and speaking out. The Club offers children from all segments of society, but particularly to those children who may not have as much at home or elsewhere, a support network of respect, love and education. In so doing the Club increases the odds that potentially troubled youth stay the course and turn into productive adults who contribute to our society, thereby making the world a better place.

2003

The consulting practice is re-integrated into our firm. We become Deloitte: one firm, one name, one brand of single-minded excellence

2005

First annual Impact Day is celebrated in Canada

2008

Deloitte celebrates its 150th year as a Canadian professional services firm

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Bob Weins Community & Corporate Responsibility

About

Bob Wiens is currently Chair of Rainbow Collaborative Technologies, the systems support collaborative of the United Ways of Canada, B.C.'s director of the Forum for Young Canadians and a member of the Advisory Board of the Fundraising Program at BCIT. Bob's previous community involvement has included terms as chair of the United Way of the Lower Mainland, the University Hospital Foundation and Leadership Vancouver and President of Rideau Kiwanis Club in Ottawa. Bob was Treasurer of United Way Canada, Vice Chair of the Board of Governors, and past Treasurer of Science World and Chair of the Finance Committee of St. Vincent's Hospital Foundation.

Bob was the Chief Financial Officer of D-Wave Systems Inc., from February 2002 to March 2005. From 1987 to December 2000, he was the President and CEO of FACS Records Centre Inc. From 1971 to 1987, Bob was with Arthur Andersen in New York City, Toronto, Ottawa (as managing partner) and Vancouver (as managing partner).

Bob is a graduate of the University of Calgary where he obtained his Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1969 and a graduate of Columbia University where he obtained his MBA in 1971. Bob also holds a CPA in New York State and a CA in B.C.

Charity – Science World and InspireHealth

Bob directed his donation to two charities in the amount of \$2,500 each.

Science World is more than just a fun way to spend a day — it's a place that inspires young minds to become tomorrow's science and technology leaders. Today's youth are needed to pursue careers in science and technology. These budding scientists can become tomorrow's innovators — curing diseases, protecting the environment and shaping our economy.

InspireHealth is Canada's foremost integrated cancer care centre, leading the way through research and innovative cancer care programs integrated with conventional cancer treatment. Since 1997, InspireHealth's medical doctors have helped guide more than 5,000 patients to integrate research-informed natural approaches to health into their cancer treatment and recovery.



Brandt Louie Leadership

About

Brandt Louie earned his Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia in 1966 and his designation as a Chartered Accountant in 1969. He was elected a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C. in 1997.

In 1972, Brandt commenced his career with H.Y. Louie Co. Limited. In 1987, he was named president and became chairman and CEO of London Drugs in 1998. Brandt's business philosophy is the catalyst driving the ongoing success of the H.Y. Louie group of companies. He has a passionate belief in customer service, fairness in all employee relationships, and actively encourages creativity and innovation from all levels of the company.

Over the last decade, Brandt has been a board member of many prestigious North American companies. He is currently: director of Royal Bank of Canada; vice chairman and director, IGA Canada; national trustee, NeuroScience Canada; director, Food Marketing Institute; director, Gairdner Foundation; governor, World Economic forum – Food and Beverage Industry; director, Duke Heart Center; member, Board of Visitors, Duke University Medical Center, and member of the Dean's Council, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Awards and honours in Brandt's distinguished career include: Entrepreneur of the Year Award (Manufacturing and Distribution); Astra Award; Medal of Merit from the International Association of Lions Clubs, the Golden Heart Community Achievement Award; Donat Insignia, The Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem; Serving Member, the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem; Golden Jubilee Medal of Queen Elizabeth II; The Golden Pencil Award; the CCGD Lifetime.

Achievement Award; The Lifetime Achievement Award, Institute of Chartered Accountants of BC, the Business Impact Award, Simon Fraser University and the Great Canadian Achievement Award from the CH.I.L.D. Foundation.

Charity – SFU Pipe Band Operations Endowment Fund

Brandt directed his donation to the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band, which was formed in 1966 during the university's inaugural year and is currently a Grade 1 World Champion. They won this title for the fifth time at the 2008 World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow, Scotland on August 16, 2008. This is the ultimate prize for pipe bands. Over the years, it has become a respected institution in the community and has brought honour and recognition to Simon Fraser University with its capture of national and international prizes.



Community spirit & involvement



Greening of Deloitte

It is nearly a year since Deloitte in Vancouver created a Green Team. The team began the greening of the office with a week-long schedule of informative emails and give-aways (re-usable bags and organic chocolate) centered on Earth Day last April. The campaign outlined core principles and built upon them during the week by encouraging more recycling, measuring individual carbon footprints and making people aware of the myriad of things they could do in the office and at home to contribute to sustainability.

The team had big ideas about upgrading to energy efficient lighting with motion sensors and a composting program, but things on this scale are more complex to implement so they concentrated on smaller things. They started by removing all disposable cups and cutlery and have done away with bottled water. The office has now switched to phosphate free soap and organic free trade coffee.

Our Green Team hasn't forgotten about the big things, but our office is already thrilled with the results that were achieved by focusing on the smaller things. We will be embracing even more green initiatives over the coming months and years making the Vancouver office a shining example of how to work and live a little more responsibly.



Impact Day

On September 5, 2008 Deloitte celebrated its fourth annual Impact Day. As a single day, Impact Day is when all of the people of Deloitte are encouraged to spend time away from the office to volunteer for locally sponsored and organized community involvement projects.

Wielding hammers, paint brushes, rakes and even phones, Deloitte colleagues took on a variety of tasks to help out a multitude of worthy community improvement projects. Over 70% of Vancouver staff participated in 37 initiatives. This tremendous turnout made a real difference and continues to set Deloitte apart as it illustrates the firm's dedication to improving the community in which we all live.

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