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CATCHING KILLERS USING DNA

Our March 12th speakers will be two representatives of law enforcement on the peninsula.

Deputy Chief Constable Kevin Hackett joined the Central Saanich Police Service in February of 2021 after a 32 year career with the RCMP. In his role as Deputy Chief, he has oversight and overall responsibility for police operations within the Service. During his time with the RCMP, his duties were primarily focused on Major Crime and Homicide Investigations, finally concluding his career as an Assistant Commissioner and the Criminal Operations Officer for Federal Investigative Services and Organized Crime for the province of BC. Deputy Chief Hackett is a recipient of the Governor General of Canada's Member of the Order of Merit of Police Forces.

Ret. Supt. Wade Blizzard spent 35 years with the RCMP. Prior to his retirement in 2012, he was exclusively involved in criminal operations, including roles as a Team Leader on the Provincial Homicide Team, Superintendent for BC's Integrated National Security Enforcement Team, Team Commander for a complex international National Security investigation and the Operations Officer for the RCMP's Criminal Intelligence Program in BC. He enjoyed contract employment with the RCMP for several years post retirement where he was tasked with creating a "Cold Case Team" within IHIT to mentor junior homicide investigators with the principles of Major Case Management and advanced investigative skills regarding unsolved homicide investigations.

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From Your President

Obviously, I spoke to soon last month about the onset of spring! Now that winter has returned, what better way to spend time than by coming out to our speaker meetings and our events. Last month we had an outstanding presentation from Isabel Mackenzie – it will be difficult for future speakers to top that, but I expect that they can do just as well. Next week promises to be a very interesting speaker topic.

As always, we welcome new volunteers. We are getting close to the time for setting up new committees for next year, so please think about how you might support their work.

Finally, remember that our next event is a visit to the Aviation Museum. There is still time to sign up for this – you won't be disappointed!

John

PUB LUNCHES

Owing to lack of interest Pub Lunches are stopping for the next few months. They may start up again in September if one or two members step forward to organize it.

David & I have enjoyed meeting a variety of interesting members over the past two-and-a-half years.

Alison & David Stewart



BC AVIATION MUSEUM TOUR

March 22, 2024 at 2 pm

Cost \$10.00 per person



See aircraft from the dawn of manned flight to modern flying machines. Guided tours in groups of 10 people. Approximately 1 ½ to 2 hours.

E-transfer payment to sidneyprobustreasurer@gmail.com or sign up at February or March meeting. If you are signing up at the meeting please have a cheque ready.

IN THE FUTURE

April TOUR Hand of Man Museum in Maple Bay

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