

# Mission Hospice Society

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#### Sean Melia- Up for re-election

I started working in Mission in 2002 in Business Banking at a local Bank. From there I transitioned to Manager of one and then another Credit Union in Mission. Outside of my paid employment I continue to help guide many community groups through strategic planning and financial budgeting. My career took a turn in 2022 when I decided to retire early and manage my own time! My 20 year working career in Mission included involvement as a Big Brother; Past President, Treasurer and Board member of the Chamber of Commerce; Treasurer and Board member of Mission Community Services Society; Board member of Mission Community Foundation; Board member of Community Futures North Fraser; past President, Treasurer Rotary Club of Mission Midday and Treasurer and Board Member of Mission Hospice Society since 2006. I volunteer with St. Joseph's Food Bank as well. My community involvement has been an important and valued connection in service to Mission.

## Mike Scudder - 2 years remaining on term

Born and raised in Mission, Mike's family has been active in our community since the early 1890's. He is married to wife Debbie and they have 2 sons, Sean & Bryan. Mike graduated from Mission Senior Secondary School in 1978 and went on to study Geography and Criminal Justice at Fraser Valley College. Mike retired in 2008 after 23 years service as a Customs Inspector with the Canada Border Services Agency. As well as serving on Mission City Council from 2008-2011, Mike has served on many Boards and Organizations in our community over the years and has been President or Chair of such groups as the HPSS PAC, Village West Ratepayers Association, Neighbourhood Planning advisory Committee for Southwest Mission, and the Silverdale Community Center Association. He has served as a member of the Maple Ridge/Mission Liberal Riding Association, the Mission Community Heritage Commission, the 2014 Winter Games Committee and the Rotary Club of Mission Mid-Day. In addition to his current position as President of the Hospice Society Board of Directors, he is also the current President of the Mission District Historical Society.

### Tammy Miller - 2 years remaining on term

Born and raised in Chilliwack BC. I have always been involved in the Chilliwack community through volunteer work at the Chilliwack YMCA as well as playing and coaching many community sports such as soccer, basketball, baseball and Karate. I am currently a 4<sup>th</sup> degree black belt and one of Sensei Don Sharp's assistant Instructors. My second passion in life is my career as a Funeral Director and Embalmer and I am proud to be the location manager at Woodlawn Mission Funeral Home. I feel it is such an honor to serve families and help them through one of the most difficult times in their lives. My career is very rewarding and I know this will be what I do until my retirement. My third passion is people. I love people and I love giving back to the community. I love to volunteer as much as time allows me and being involved in the community in any way that I can. Even though I live in Chilliwack I feel closely connected to the Mission community as this is where I work and serve families. I am also the current President of the Mission Mid-day Rotary club and enjoy all the opportunities I have to serve the Mission Community. I am proud to be a member of this club. I have always supported the Mission Hospice Society and feel it would be an honor to be a part of such an amazing group of people who are compassionate and understanding at a time of grief and need.



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### Chris Stenerson - 1 years remaining on term

Chris was born and raised in Mission. He attended UBC and obtained a BA and LLB and was called to the bar in BC in 2001. Chris worked in Vancouver and Kelowna and returned to Mission in 2008 and commenced working at Taylor, Tait, Ruley & Company with a practice that focuses on divorce, personal injury, insurance, estates and general litigation matters.

#### Dave Goodier – 1 years remaining on term

Dave was born in New Zealand and moved to Canada in 1993. He moved from Abbotsford to Mission after 2 years of arriving. He was involved with the Mission Marlins Swim Club for 10 years in Executive and Officiating positions. He spent 15 years in the Aviation industry with various companies in the Fraser Valley, but due to the economic situation in 2009 he decided it was time for a change and took a position as an outside Sales Rep for Allegra Printing in Abbotsford. He is also a member of the Mission Midday Rotary Club. David is now Past President of the Mission Hospice Society.

## Bill Else - 1 years remaining on term

Bill has been a resident of Mission for the past 20 years. Bill is the owner/operator of the Fountain Tire in Mission. He is happily married with one daughter and 2 annoying dogs.

Bill is always looking for ways to help in our community, and enjoys what we have right here in Mission. He loves the great outdoors, sports and competition are joys in his life.

## Remco Berman – 1 Years remaining on term

Remco is a senior executive with more than 25 years of experience in marketing/sales, business development, and operations management. He has been instrumental in assisting businesses realize their strategic vision and increase revenue streams. He has always taken a strategic approach to going after new business, retaining existing business, and structuring organizations. He prides himself in paying attention to detail when developing new and innovative products/systems with manufacturers. In addition, Remco has extensive experience in International business, having worked in Europe for many years. He is a strong public speaker and communicator, and have presented technical papers at conferences and trade shows and handled responsibility for communication with stakeholders at all levels. Remco has a Bachelor of Sales Management and Business Administration from the Netherlands Institute of Marketing (NIMA) in the Netherlands.

## Arlene James – 2 years remaining on term

Arlene James co owns a small survey company with her role focusing on Office Management. She is married with 2 sons, Nolan 21 and Carson 18. Her family has kept her busy over the years with school events/volunteering and sports. Arlene moved back into Mission after spending 20 years in Chilliwack. While in Chilliwack she sat on various Boards including, Phecsa, ProPac and Scholarship committees from 2005 to 2013. Arlene has been active in Minor hockey in Chilliwack and Mission. Volunteering in administrative office, team manager, team treasurer, coach selection committees and many tournament



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committees. Moving back to Mission allowed Arlene the opportunity to volunteer with the dry grad committee at MSS, which she has previously done in Chilliwack since 2005. Arlene enjoys travelling, photography, crocheting and family time and course her fur babies.

### Ellen Nguyen - 2 years remaining on term

Ellen Nguyen is the owner of What's On! Mission magazine. She graduated from SFU with a Bachelor of Arts in English and completed her PDP there. Her work experience ranges from being a Grade 2 teacher at Khalsa School to marketing recycled products made by women and children in the slums of the Philippines with a non-profit organization. She is a firm believer in lifelong learning and is continuing her education in Health Information Management. She loves that she can work in the community she calls home and that she is able to utilize her passions through What's On! Mission: photography, writing, and giving back to her community. She has served or is serving on the following boards: Mission District Historical Society, Fraser Valley Health Care Foundation, Mission Community Foundation, Mission Regional Chamber of Commerce, Mission Minor Baseball Association, Rotary Club of Mission Mid-day, and Mission Skating Club. Her downtime usually involves walking and enjoying the great outdoors. She credits her family as her purpose and motivation, her strength and support, in all her pursuits.