

Meet the 2012 Trustees for the Canadian Foundation for Geotechnique

The Canadian Foundation for Geotechnique is a registered charitable organization that works at arm's length from the Canadian Geotechnical Society to recognize and foster excellence in the geotechnical field in Canada. It funds the annual CGS' student awards and prizes, the annual Canadian Geotechnical Colloquium, the travel costs associated with the two Cross Canada Lecture Tours each year, and offers its own annual \$5000 National Graduate Scholarship.

The Foundation is managed and overseen by 15 volunteer Trustees who typically serve for one or more three-year terms. The tradition is for one-third, or five, of the Trustees to step down or be re-appointed each year. The March issue of *Geotechnical News* is typically when the new Trustees are introduced to the Canadian geotechnical community. Well, for 2012, no Trustees wanted to step down and all were reappointed. Therefore there are no new Trustees to introduce.

Therefore the Foundation invites the Canadian geotechnical community to take the Foundation's first ever quiz. The first list (numbered 1 to 15) below lists the Trustees, their affiliation, home base, and position on the Board of Directors. The second list (lettered A to O) lists a personal tid-bit about each Trustees, but not in the numbered order. Your task, should you wish to accept it, is to see how many Trustees and tid-bits you can match up. The answers are given elsewhere in this issue of *Geotechnical News*. So sit back, relax, and have a bit of fun at the Foundation's expense!

2012 Canadian Foundation for Geotechnique Trustees (in alphabetical order):

1. Dennis Becker (Golder Associates, Calgary, AB) Vice President
2. Kevin Biggar (BGC Engineering, Edmonton, AB)
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11. Siva Sivathayalan (Carleton University, Ottawa, ON) Secretary
12. Brian Taylor (Stantec Consulting, Dartmouth, NS)
13. Jean-Pierre Tournier (Hydro-Québec, Montreal, QC)
14. Doug VanDine (VanDine Geological Engineering, Victoria, BC) President
15. Gerry Webb (Golder Associates, Ottawa, ON)

Personal tid-bits not in the same order as above. See if you can match the numbers with the letters!

- A. I love to spend time at my off-the-grid shack in the woods.
- B. I play bluegrass, jazz and classical music on a 5-string banjo.
- C. I'm an avid chess player who still programs in Pascal.
- D. I'm the longest serving Foundation Trustee.
- E. I love Country and Western music.
- F. I was NGI Director #3; recently married NGI Director #2 on the birthday of NGI Director #1.
- G. I attended the Masters Golf Tournament in Augusta, GA.
- H. I like skiing, both snow and water.

- I. I train for and race Ironman Triathlons.
- J. I coached four different minor sports between 1996 and 2010.
- K. I won a Canadian national pool team tournament.
- L. I recently took up the sport of archery.
- M. I quoted Lord Byron in a recent technical manuscript.
- N. I have read most all of Henning Mankell's novels.
- O. I'm shy.

And remember, after having so much fun with this quiz, in order to fulfill its mission the Foundation relies on donations individuals and corporations, and donations and interest-free loans from the local sections and technical divisions of the CGS. To learn more about the Foundation and its activities (but not necessarily more personal tid-bits of its Trustees) visit www.cfg-fcg.ca.

(Note to Phil: put somewhere else in GN)

Answers for the Canadian Foundation for Geotechnique Quiz

1-E, 2-J, 3-D, 4-O, 5-M, 6-I, 7-L, 8-F, 9-G, 10-K, 11-C, 12-A, 13-N, 14-B, 15-H.