

2016 LGLA Leadership Forum "Respectful Leadership"

Keynote Address
"3 Dimensional Leadership"
Dr. Beverley Busson
Wednesday, February 3rd, 1:45-3:00 pm
Radisson Hotel, Richmond, BC



As a former police officer and RCMP Commissioner, Bev Busson knows a thing or two about leadership. As one of the first female members of the RCMP and *the* first female RCMP Commissioner, she knows a whole lot about respectful leadership, the theme of this year's LGLA Leadership Forum.

Join Dr. Busson for her keynote address on *3 Dimensional Leadership* in Richmond this coming February where she will contend that nothing meaningful can ever be achieved in the workplace without mutual respect: respect for yourself, respect for others and respect for the organization and its goals. Despite the need for transparency and oversight, successful leadership at any level cannot be achieved without this essential three dimensional foundation. Bev will explore this imperative from her own perspective and experience through her 33 years of policing, beginning as an RCMP constable, through her time as the Commanding Officer of British Columbia to the Commissioner of the RCMP.

More about Dr. Beverley Busson...

Beverley Ann Busson, C.O.M., O.B.C., LLB., LLD.UCFV, LLD.SFU(Hon) never imagined her decision to join the RCMP back in 1974 as one of the first female members, would lead her to becoming one of Canada's most powerful women; and would allow her to experience a career marked with trail blazing success stories and such incredible challenges along the way. Not only was Bev one of the first women to join the RCMP but she was also the first woman to be appointed to the position of Commanding Officer of a Province, the first woman to be appointed as Commissioner of the RCMP and the first police officer to ever be awarded the Order of British Columbia.

From her experiences as a rookie cop, through her extensive experience as a serious crime investigator and later as the leader of a 25,000-member police force, Bev not only survived but thrived in a dynamic, ever challenging environment. Bev earned the reputation of being a "straight shooter" and someone you could trust to always do the right thing. This leadership style earned her the respect and support she needed to take on the position of Canada's top cop during some very difficult times. Today, Bev is a keynote speaker sharing her leadership lessons with audiences across the country. She offers her comments and advice on how to navigate the workplace from the bottom up. She has lessons to pass on from the unique perspective of a woman employed in a male dominated working environment and in strategically leading a complex and dynamic organization. Her remarks are sprinkled with stories and anecdotes about her own experiences, some humorous and some serious, but all of them designed to have her audience lean in to her inspiring message.

Along with the Order of British Columbia, Bev earned a Law Degree from the University of British Columbia as well as being honored with two honorary Doctorate of Law degrees. She is a

Commander of the Order of Merit of Police Officers and was granted the Queen's Jubilee Medal. She presently serves as a Vice-President of the Okanagan College Foundation and enjoys working on various projects, including those focused on the mentorship of promising young leaders. In September of 2013 she was appointed to British Columbia's Blue Ribbon Panel on Crime Reduction.

We look forward to welcoming Dr. Busson as LGLA's 2016 Leadership Forum Keynote Speaker this coming February. For registration, program, accommodation and other details, visit our 2016 Forum webpage at: http://lgla.ca/events/upcoming/2016-lgla-leadership-forum/.

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