STEWARD OF ST PHILIP'S May 5th, 2019

CONRAD GUELKE

Conrad has set a high bar via a significant body of contributions of time and talents to our community over many years.

He was born in England, but raised in South Africa and attended an Anglican School there. He was also active in the YMCA. He received a Master of Science in Engineering in Cape Town and lucky for us came to Vancouver in 1965.

Conrad worked for BC Hydro for 30 years. Then contracted his services in consulting, strategy, planning and communications.

He has been Chair of the Elders of the David Suzuki Foundation and so is very informed about environmental concerns and Climate Change.

He gave years of service as chair of the Property Management Corporation and Development of VST Lands at UBC to allow for the renovations of the Iona building. For this he was given an Honorary Doctorate from VST.

All this experience has benefited St. Philip's where Conrad has been on our Property Committee for over 20 years, including being Chair for several years. He knows all the nooks and crannies in the buildings and the workings of everything; structural, mechanical or electrical. He has supervised many renovations and major works on our church over the last 20 or more years.

He has been on St. Philip's Church Committee for many years and has been a Warden at two different times, having received previous experience as Warden at Christ Church Cathedral before coming to St. Philip's.

Conrad has also received the ODNW, Order of the Diocese of New Westminster. A knowledge of contacts from his work at the Diocesan level and beyond have been a great resource to St. Philip's.

Besides all this serious knowledge and talents, Conrad has a wonderful subtle sense of humour and knows how to use puns to best advantage. He is a master of acronyms, such as FPP - which stands for - Follow Proper Process - a worthy concept near and dear to Conrad's heart and inventive abilities.

We are very happy and proud to acknowledge Conrad as a Steward of St. Philip's.