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Chemainus Dollar Gains First International Lifetime Founding Member



CHEMAINUS, BC – May 3, 2010 - Dr. Gordon, Baron of Prestoungrange from Scotland, has become the first international Lifetime Founding Member in support of the Chemainus Monetary Foundation (CMF) and its Chemainus Dollar (CH\$). During the April 23, 2010 Chemainus Dollar Inaugural Event this Lifetime Founding Membership contribution was made further enhancing the landmark accomplishments of the event. The Chemainus Dollar's international reach has already drawn interest from the U.S., Portugal and Japan, but the Baron of Prestoungrange has become the official first international Lifetime Founding Member.

The Baron is previously acquainted with CMF Founder and CEO, Dr. Karl Schutz. They first met in 2000 when the Baron invited Dr. Schutz to Scotland to share the vision of the Chemainus murals with Prestonpans. With Dr. Schutz' guidance, Prestonpans went on to become 'Scotland's Murals Town' hosting the Global Murals Conference in 2006 attended by delegates from more than 30 towns across the world. It created a 40' totem pole to honour the vision Chemainus gave to Scotland - the red cedar donated by North Cowichan and shipped across to Scotland. Prestonpans was the site of Bonnie Prince Charlie's stunning Victory over the redcoat

Hanoverian army in 1745, and at that time the Prince commissioned his own bank notes which were never formally issued. However the designs by Sir Robert Strange have survived and are currently in issue in Scotland from the town's Murals and Battle Trusts in £10 and £5 denominations.

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About Chemainus Monetary Foundation

The Chemainus Monetary Foundation is a registered non-profit foundation. Projects are supported by funding from founding members, sponsorships with financial institutions, corporate support, merchant involvement, society or private legacy gifting, and individual donations or grants for specific projects. The Chemainus Dollar (CH\$) project was unveiled by the Chemainus Monetary Foundation on April 23, 2010 to support community growth. The CMF are actively working on unique community ventures designed to increase tourism, heighten Chemainus visibility, and bring increased business to area merchants. For more information on the Chemainus Monetary Foundation visit www.chemainusdollar.com

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