

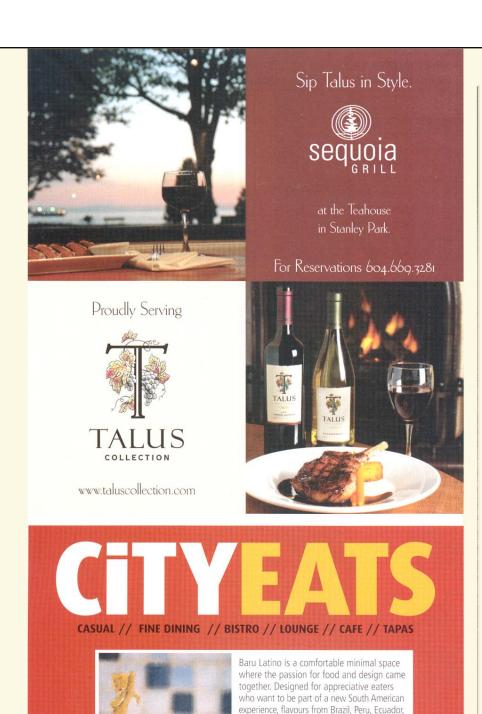
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tion in Canada. "There they were, a year after Pearl Harbour, and they had food rations and difficult times," says Richard Mulcaster. "They could have said, 'Hello, this is a rainy day fund, and it's raining!' But that was the vision and the power of people, and it still exists today." Last year interest from the fund generated \$32 million, which was paid out in grants to organizations throughout B.C. The foundation recently established the Four Pillars Fund, to encourage community projects in the Downtown Eastside.

(4) 3 IDA GOODREAU PRESIDENT, VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH REGION

Ida Goodreau had never worked in the public sector before she was hired by the Vancouver Coastal Health Region in 2002. Just before that, she was a high-ranking executive at Norske Skog in Oslo. That experience has probably come in handy as she leads the region in a private partnership for the development of a new facility at the Vancouver General Hospital site. Construction began this fall, and the 11-storey Academic Ambulatory Care Centre is slated to be complete in 2006.

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CHAIRMAN, FAIRCHILD GROUP Thomas Fung's Fairchild Group made headlines this year with the reopening of the \$100-million renovation of the Aberdeen Centre in Richmond. The 380,000-square-foot centre is just part of the Fairchild Group's empire of real estate, retail, media, infotech and investment properties. Chief among these is the media arm—including Fairchild TV, five digital specialty channels, five radio stations and a lifestyle and entertainment magazine, which combined make Fung the baron of the city's Chinese-language media market.

45 TOM GAGLARDI

PRESIDENT, NORTHLAND PROPERTIES It's been a busy year for 36-year-old Tom Gaglardi. A new baby, new hotels, and an agreement reached "in principle" to buy the Vancouver Canucks. Already included in the Gaglardi family businesses: the Sandman Hotel chain, Denny's (for which they hold the western Canadian license) and the Moxie's restaurants. The Canucks are said to have made a profit of around \$25 million last season, but for the Gaglardis—third generation British Columbians with deep-set roots (Ever driven down Gaglardi Way? It's named after Tom's famed grandfather, peripatetic CONTINUEDON PAGE 112