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News Alert

May 2008

Dear Friend,

Please note the following West Coast LEAF events and announcements. Details below.

Annual General Meeting

Join us for an evening of conversation and refreshments. Celebrate this year's successes at West Coast LEAF, meet the West Coast LEAF team and help us continue advancing women's equality in British Columbia and beyond. Refreshments will be served.

Date: Thursday June 26, 2008

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

**Place: Peter Kay Room, Vancouver Public Library main branch,
350 West Georgia Street, Vancouver**

**RSVP by June 13, 2008 to info@westcoastleaf.org or call
604-684-8772.**

We are delighted to welcome guest speaker Daphne Bramham, author and columnist, *The Secret Lives of Saints: Child Brides and Lost Boys in a Polygamous Mormon Sect*.

Lifetime achievement award goes to West Coast LEAF founding mother

The first ever LEAF Lifetime Recognition Award has been awarded to Ms. Eloise Spitzer. The award is named after a former West Coast LEAF president Alisa Noda.

Eloise Spitzer has been committed to LEAF and equality, spending numerous hours as a volunteer and participant, organizing activities and providing her expertise in law, human resources, planning, communications and fundraising.

She served on the West Coast LEAF Board of Directors (2003 - 2007), chaired the national legal committee, co-chaired the Personnel Committee and promoted West Coast LEAF in her everyday life. She served in key political appointments in territorial and provincial governments and volunteer positions at groundbreaking organizations such as the David Suzuki Foundation.

In 1985 Eloise launched a court challenge regarding a Yukon regulation which forced a woman to keep her husband's surname as long as he was alive. It was one of the first challenges under Section 15 of the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. She succeeded in having the law ruled unconstitutional.

In every aspect of her life, Eloise reflects the principals and goals of LEAF. She has been a board member, committee chair, fundraiser, donor and inspiration to generations of women interested in advancing women's equality in Canada.

Transforming Our Future

Transforming Our Future is a practical public legal education course designed for activists, advocates, and community service providers to learn about human rights law, equality rights, and how to develop legal strategies to address the impact of systemic discrimination.

If you are a Law Foundation funded advocate, course fees can be a part of your professional development benefits.

Date: June 18 & 25, 2008

Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Place: Law Foundation of BC
1340-605 Robson Street, Vancouver**

Cost: \$100

Subsidies are available

For more information and [registration](#) contact:

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604.684.8772 ext. 114 or education@westcoastleaf.org

Please contact the [Law Foundation](#) for more information at 604-688-2337.

"I've worked in the Human Rights field for more than 25 years and the materials used in Transforming Our Future are the best I've seen."

Course participant, 2004

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