



Society President **Leta Best** is pictured with The Honourable **Ida Chong**, MLA, Minister of State for Women's and Seniors' Services. Leta attended a reception hosted by the Minister at the Legislature to commemorate International Women's Day.

International Women's Day (March 8) is an occasion

marked by women's groups around the world. This date is also commemorated at the United Nations and is designated in many countries as a national holiday. When women on all continents—often divided by national boundaries and by ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic, and political differences—come together to celebrate their Day, they can look back to a tradition that represents at least nine decades of struggle for equality, justice, peace, and development.



**Dr. Bernard Hoeter**, Secretary of The Society from 1969 to 1986, recently celebrated his 83rd birthday at Playa del Carmen, Yucatan, Mexico, together with his partner Mrs. **Erika Riedel**, who flew from Germany for this occasion.

Courtenay Notary **Margot Rutherford** recently flew to England and Wales. During 10 days in London, she stayed with **Iain Sutherland**, Legal Editor of the *London Times*, and his wife **Julia** and family. They toured the Roman Amphitheatre and the Guild Hall, "which has the best loo in Britain!" In her quest for culture, Margot also visited the Museum of London, British Museum, Victoria and Albert Museum, Tate Britain, and Tate Modern.



Artist **Olafur Eliason's** "The Weather Report," at the Entrance to Tate Modern, a former power house on the River Thames

She was honoured to be invited for lunch at the Middle Temple Inn Great Hall with Iain and with **Carolyn Toulmin**, a member of Middle Temple Inn and one of Iain's law reporters. Carolyn's husband is **Judge Toulmin**, a Bencher of the Middle Temple. Judges dine at the huge top table, near amazing paintings of **Queen Elizabeth I, James I, Charles I, and Charles II**. That end of the Hall missed being bombed during WWII.

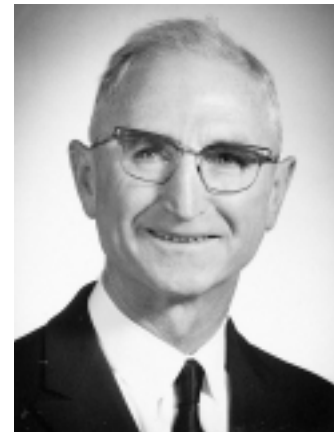
Margot also stayed with her elderly **Aunt Enid** in Wales and visited friends near Brighton, where she enjoyed seeing Winchester Cathedral, then football and rugby in the local. It was Margot's first time travelling alone in the British Isles. She did very well *not* getting lost!

**Walking For a Cure!**

**Rose Miller**, together with her daughter **Tanya Todd**, 30, a breast cancer survivor, are "The Lucky Ones," a mother/daughter team walking in the "**Weekend to End Breast Cancer**." This two-day, 60 K fundraising walk through the city of Vancouver, August 21 and 22, will raise money to find a breast cancer cure. Every penny helps. Rose is asking for your support. To donate, log onto [www.endcancer.ca](http://www.endcancer.ca), click on "find a



participant," and type in Rose Miller or Tanya Todd. That will take you to their personal pages and donation instructions. Together let's eradicate this widespread disease!



**Francis J. McKinnon**  
1912 – 2004

Long-time Cloverdale Notary **Frank McKinnon**, The Society's first Honourary Life Member and a former Director, passed away February 4, 2004. He had just celebrated his 92nd birthday.

Writes retired Notary **Alan Davidson**, "Frank was a giant of a man in every way that counted. His contribution to his community, his ethics and integrity in business, and his devotion to family and church are indeed legendary."

We offer our condolences to Frank's family and friends.