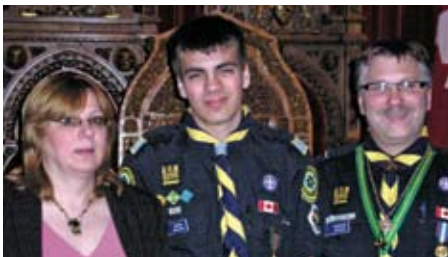


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I have always read each issue of *The Scrivener* magazine from cover to cover.

Now that I have moved to Ontario, I enjoy the connection back to my British Columbia roots even more. It was Chuck Salmon's article "Ultimate Achievement" that moved



Charles and his wife Sharon in the Senate Chambers. Their youngest son Jared received a medal for meritorious conduct.



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My wife and I recently read Bob Reid's article about his surviving a plane crash at the Hope Slide; all other crew members and passengers were killed.

me to write my first Letter to the Editor. Like Chuck, I am a lifelong Scout and serve alongside him at the national level. Scouting has taught me the importance of duty to others, duty to God, and duty to self, as a test for my actions and goals.

In my work and volunteer life, I have come to understand the qualities I respect in others are indeed the same expectations I have for myself. They involve goals to make a positive difference in my family, in my work, and in my community. I connected with Chuck's article in many different ways; it caused me to reflect not only on what he has accomplished, but on what so many people I know in organized real estate have achieved—to leave this world a better place. Now that is a lofty but attainable goal. My thanks to Chuck Salmon for making it so clear.

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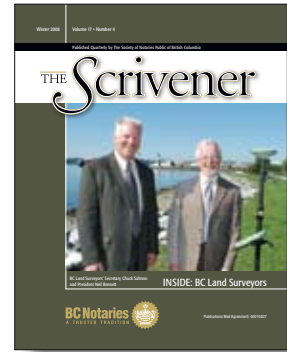
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So impressed were we by his courageous efforts described in "Walk Down the Mountain" and his later academic achievements noted in the Cover Story "Aim for the Stars," we forwarded the link to these articles to our family and friends.

One friend who has visited the Hope Slide area was particularly pleased to receive it. Her husband is also a Royal Military College graduate, as am I. He has been coping with the disabling Parkinson's disease for 10



years and is now in a care home, where his loving wife visits him twice each day. She read to him



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My husband and I wrote the article "Beijing" in the Winter issue of *The Scrivener*.

We sent copies to friends around the world and gave a few to our school's Law and Business Ed teachers.

I teach a beginner ESL class and we have just completed a unit on Chinese New Year. I took the opportunity to show my class the article, discuss the pictures, and read them a few paragraphs. They laughed at the photo of my husband and me in our patriotic and ugly rain gear. I gave each student a copy of *The Scrivener* as a souvenir.



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the accounts of Bob's challenging and inspiring experiences. If you want an emotional and exciting read, we recommend Bob Reid's amazing story.

Warmest regards,

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