



# Fred Lee's social network

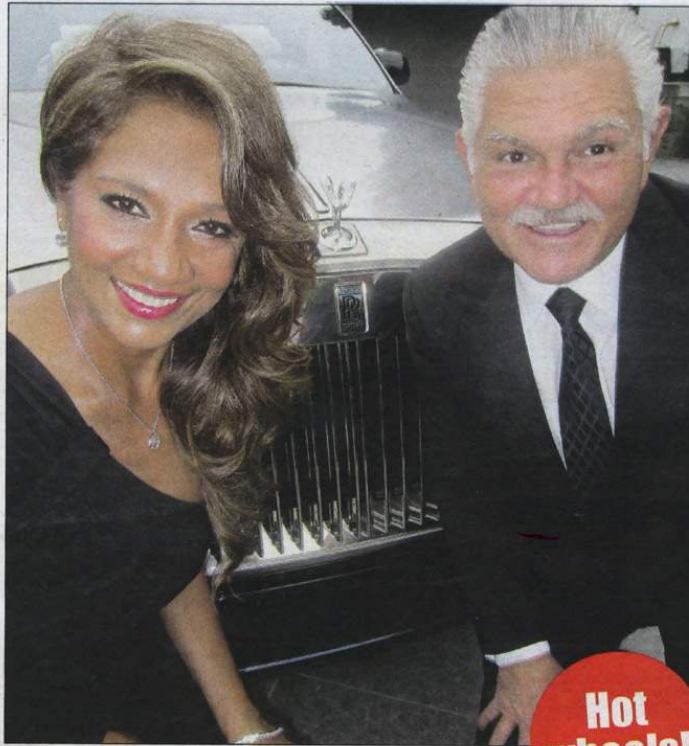
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**WORLD VISION:** Jacqui Cohen — society maven, philanthropist and defender of the Downtown Eastside — hosted her 24th Face the World Gala, one of the most anticipated house parties of the year. Not even spring showers could dampen the spirits of partygoers at Cohen's spectacular Marine Drive mansion. More than 300 of Vancouver's most prominent and generous leaders of business, community and philanthropy gathered at the Army and Navy department store owner's family home for the \$2,000-a-ticket affair, the toniest on Vancouver's social circuit.

Guests enjoyed a Piper Heidsieck-fuelled champagne and caviar reception before sitting down to an exquisite dinner from Hy's Encore and Gotham Steakhouse, all beneath Simon Cooksley's beautifully appointed canopy that kept attendees warm and dry. Media personalities Vicki Gabereau and Mike Killeen emceed the evening of philanthropy and advocacy in support of local charities and organizations helping hard-pressed women, children and seniors, as well as the disadvantaged and marginalized.

Westcoast Auctions' Tyler Olson was kept busy emptying the pockets of the well heeled. Olson got more than \$500,000 from partygoers during the live auction, including \$250,000 for a trip on Lukas Lundin's yacht, \$80,000 for a one-year lease of a Rolls-Royce 2014 Wraith and \$30,000 for a fireworks party at Cohen's Point Grey home. They all contributed to a total of more than \$1 million, the fifth consecutive year the party has reached that impressive milestone. Power players helping swell the night's haul: Kyle and Janelle Washington, Paolo and Clara Aquilini, Harald and Sharlene Ludwig, Lorne and Melita Segal, David Montpetit and Kim Humphreys, Derek Trehewey and Lela Gill, Chip and Shannon Wilson and Frank Guistra.

Following the charitable giving, guests danced the night away with special musical guest Justin Hayward of the Moody Blues. More than 60 charities, including Street-to-Home, Baby-Go-Round, KidSafe and Aboriginal Mother Centre, will benefit from the posh party. To date, the foundation has distributed \$10 million to thousands in need.



Allwest Insurance's Paul and Devina Zalesky pose in front of a \$500,000 Rolls-Royce. The couple offered up the insurance for the one-year lease of the 2014 Wraith auctioned off at the Face the World benefit.

**Hot wheels!**



Jacqui Cohen's Face the World fundraiser and her daughter Kasondra's Face of Today event have raised millions for local charities to help the needy, disadvantaged and marginalized.



Veteran broadcaster Vicki Gabereau emceed while Westcoast Auctions' Tyler Olson was auctioneer at the \$2,000-ticket Face the World benefit.



The wet weather didn't dampen the spirits of Futura president and CEO Amar Doman and his wife Natalie.



Vancouver Canucks co-owner Paolo Aquilini and Delta Land Development president Bruce Langereis were among the heavyweights in the room.



Lululemon founder Chip Wilson and his wife Shannon traded yoga wear for more formal attire. The philanthropic couple contributed to the million-dollar haul.



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