

**Bev Park, EMBA '02 - Vice President, Finance and CFO,
TimberWest Forest Corporation**

Bev Park graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce from McGill University but was unsure what direction to take until a friend suggested she apply for a job as an articling student with a public accounting firm. Park joined Peat Marwick Mitchell (now KPMG) in 1985 and earned her Chartered Accountant designation in 1988.

Park's career path led her to BC Hydro, where she held a series of management positions. It was at BC Hydro that she first considered pursuing an MBA, but it wasn't until she began working with TimberWest that she enrolled in the SFU Business Executive MBA program. "I really enjoyed my time in the EMBA program at SFU," she says. "I met terrific people, learned a great deal and would highly recommend the program."

Park joined TimberWest as controller and corporate secretary in 1997 and is now vice president of finance and CFO of the largest owner of private forest lands in Western Canada. She takes pride in its progressive initiatives in sustainability and environmentally sound practices.

Park truly understands the meaning of multi-tasking. In her current role as VP finance and CFO, she oversees a wide range of financial matters including budgets, operating results, financial reporting, and investor and debt-holder relations. She also directs the human resources, information technology and real estate groups at TimberWest.

Park finds time in her demanding career and busy family life for involvement on several boards and committees. She is a board member with BC Transmission Corporation and the Vancouver Opera, and is on the Audit, Finance and Investment Committee of the Vancouver YWCA.