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**MCA OF ALBERTA  
NEWSLETTER  
JULY 2006**

**MCA OF ALBERTA BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS ADD YOUTH TO THE  
BOARD**

In order to avoid the “Old Boys Club” syndrome and in anticipation of some of the Board members considering retirement in the near future, your Board recommended to the Nominating Committee that they need to approach the younger members in our industry to consider serving on the Board. It was felt that by bringing in the younger generation members now they would be up to speed in Board knowledge and be much more valuable to carry on as Board members. Our congratulations to new Board members **Lorne Chisholm** of Chisholm Mechanical – Calgary, **Mark Schendel** of Schendel Mechanical – Edmonton and **Bob Zimmerman** of Farrell Engineering – Edmonton for having consented to serve on the Board and being elected by the membership at the May 12 Annual General Meeting held in Jasper.

Your 2006 – 2007 complete Board of Directors working on your and the Association’s behalf are:

President – **Ken Manweiler**  
Kam Mechanical – Edmonton

Vice-President – **Garnet Young**  
T & M Building Technologies - Calgary

Vice-President – **George Doty**  
Wil Mechanical Ltd. – Edmonton

Past-President – **Brad Diggins**  
MJS Mechanical Ltd. – Calgary

Director - **Eldon Campbell**  
Goldbar Mechanical Co Ltd - Edmonton

Director – **Rand Carvell**  
Pad-Car Mechanical Ltd – Medicine Hat

Director – **Lorne Chisholm**  
Chisholm Mechanical - Calgary  
*(Lorne Chisholm is the second generation of Chisholm’s to have joined the Board. His father, Bill Chisholm, served the MCA Board for many years and currently is still serving as a Trustee of the MCA Group Insurance plan)*

Director – **Barry Cousins Jr.**  
Arpi’s Industries Canada – Calgary

Director – **Peter Idler**  
Comstock Canada – Edmonton

Director – **Ron Millette**  
Wolseley Mechanical Group – Calgary

Director – **Dan Petrin**  
Petrin Mechanical Ltd - Calgary

Director – **Mark Schendel**  
Schendel Mechanical - Edmonton

Director – **Mike Watson**  
Trotter & Morton Ltd. - Calgary  
*(Mike Watson is the third generation of Watson’s to have joined the MCA Alberta Board. The other two having been “Curly” Watson and Don Watson.)*

Director – **Bob Zimmerman**  
Farrell Engineering - Edmonton  
These are your Directors prepared to work on your and the Association’s

behalf. Should you have ideas or concerns that you wish to bring forward please contact anyone of the Directors or the Association staff of **Vicky Derkson Corinne Suttie** and **Hans Tiedemann**,

It should be noted that the major proponent and advocate for bringing on the new Board members was none other than long serving but now retired Board member **Bart Bartlett** of Kehoe Equipment – Edmonton. **Bart** was thanked and recognized with a plaque for his many years of service on the MCA Board.

**MCA ALBERTA JULY TO DECEMBER 2006 SCHEDULE:** The Schedule of MCA Alberta Provincial Meeting and Events from July to December 2006 is included in this mailing. Please take a look at it to be aware of the various upcoming activities and diarize your calendars accordingly.

**REDUCTION OF GST/HST – SPECIAL BULLETIN:** In case you missed it in the MCA Canada “Just the Fax” weekly information bulletin, we have included in this mail out, as an insert, the Canadian Construction Association “Special Bulletin” on the “Reduction of GST/HST Rates – Timing Rules” which does include the various web sites.

**ALBERTA PLUMBING & GAS STANDATA INFORMATION BULLETINS:** If you have not already done so, then please make note of the following web page address wherein you are able to keep current with new Standata bulletins:

<http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/s>

You can register yourself for the free Subscription Service and thus receive automatically whenever a new Standata comes out.

Please make yourself aware of the latest Plumbing Safety Information Bulletin Standata P-0601-PLBG which deals with the “Requirements for Cleanouts” in a plumbing system.

**CAREY LAROSE RECEIVES CIPH AWARD:** Our congratulations to Alberta Municipal Affairs Chief Inspector Plumbing and Gas **Carey LaRose**. **Carey** was awarded the 6<sup>th</sup> **Joseph K. Seider** Award at the Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating (CIPH) Annual Business Conference held in Banff. The award acknowledges the outstanding commitment of plumbing industry volunteers who dedicate their time, knowledge and expertise in developing safer plumbing codes and standards through various CSA International Standard writing committees and the Canadian Advisory Council of Plumbing.

**\$1,000 APPRENTICESHIP SCHOLARSHIPS - IMPORTANT JULY 31, 2006 DEADLINE:**

Contractors please make certain that you advise your 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> year apprentices of the availability of the \$1,000 Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Scholarships and the July 31 deadline. Scholarship application forms may be found at [www.tradesecrets.org](http://www.tradesecrets.org) or we also have some at the MCA Alberta office.

*There are over 165 scholarships available – therefore we do encourage*

you to make certain that your apprentices do apply. Through the support of MCA Directors and members there are 7.5 regular scholarships and one RAP (Registered Apprenticeship Program) scholarship attributable directly to the MCA. These are 2 MCA Alberta Scholarships; 5 MCA Alberta (Southern) named scholarships recognizing the **Anderson Family, Cameron A Wright, Frederick (Jack) Deeves, Gary L Ellenton, George E Kienitz**; and a combined MCA Alberta & CLR scholarship recognizing **Clifford J. Williams**. Furthermore, when one reviews the list of major scholarship contributors you will find many more MCA Alberta affiliated individuals, contractor and U.A. members' names listed as scholarship contributors.

***YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME UNTIL THE JULY 31 APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE. – SO DO YOUR SELF AND YOUR APPRENTICES A FAVOUR BY GETTING AN APPLICATION INTO THEIR HANDS AND MAKING CERTAIN THAT THEY ARE SENT IN IN TIME. IT COULD BE WORTH A \$1,000 TO THEM AND POSSIBLY A HAPPIER APPRENTICE TO YOU!***

**CIPHEX WEST 2006 – CALGARY NOVEMBER 14 & 15, 2006:** Mark your calendar now to attend the 11<sup>th</sup> Western Canadian Trade Show, CIPHEX WEST, which will be held in Calgary, Alberta at the Roundup Centre, Stampede Park November 14 & 15, 2006. For information about becoming an exhibitor or attending the trade show contact CIPH 1-888-ASK-CIPH (275-2474) or see their web site

[www.ciphwest.ca](http://www.ciphwest.ca). MCA Alberta and the World Plumbing Council are participating as exhibitors and we hope to see you there.

**ISH NORTH AMERICA – CHICAGO SEPTEMBER 28 – 30, 2006:** The North American International Sanitation and Heating (ISH) trade show is taking place September 28 – 30, 2006 in Chicago, Illinois, USA in McCormick Place, North Hall. It is an international trade show for Kitchen & Bath, Plumbing, PVF, Heating and Air Conditioning. See [www.ish-na.com](http://www.ish-na.com) for details and also for obtaining your complimentary Admission a value of US\$25.00.

**MCA OF ALBERTA GROUP INSURANCE:** July 1, 2006 marks the fifth year anniversary date of the MCA Alberta Group Insurance and Medical Benefits Trust transfer to the responsibilities of Trustees **Doug Anderson, Bill Chisholm, and Brad Diggins**. Although the Trustees are still very satisfied with the results during the five years of operation, they, with our consultants, continue to review our plans to assure the continuance of the best group insurance plan and benefits for our members.

*MCA OF ALBERTA HAS A VERY COMPETITIVE GROUP INSURANCE PLAN AND FOR THOSE NOT ALREADY PARTICIPATING IN OUR PLAN, WE WELCOME YOUR INQUIRIES Calgary 250-7237 or province wide 1-800-251-0620 ask for Vicky, Corinne or Hans.*

**WORLD PLUMBING COUNCIL AND WORLD HEALTH**

**ORGANIZATION LAUNCH**  
**“HEALTH ASPECTS OF**  
**PLUMBING”:**

ISH China in Beijing was the venue for the launch of the long-awaited publication “Health Aspects of Plumbing” (HAP). A joint World Health Organization (WHO) and World Plumbing Council (WPC) venture, “Health Aspects of Plumbing” describes the processes involved in the design, installation and maintenance of effective plumbing systems. HAP recommends a number of plumbing system design and installation specifications that have demonstrated their validity from years of experience. It also examines the microbiological, chemical, physical and financial risks associated with plumbing, outlines the major risk management approaches that are used in the plumbing industry and emphasizes the importance of measures to conserve supplies of safe drinking water.

**JOB SITE JOURNALS:** One of the more popular items used by our members and sold through our office is the Job Site Journal. Basically it helps to avoid costly claims by tracking delays and progress of jobs through Daily and Weekly reports. The Daily Report records work site conditions and progress. Weekly reports detail delays with space available for more specific explanation of the week’s progress. Member cost is \$8.00 per copy.

**MCA ALBERTA BOARD DECIDES**  
**ON 2007 & 2008 PROVINCIAL**  
**CONFERENCE DATES AND**  
**LOCATIONS:**

In an effort to assure that we are able to obtain our desired times for our MCA Alberta provincial conferences the Board approved the following dates and locations.

2007 – May 10 – 13, Banff, Alberta, The Rimrock Resort Hotel with golf at the Banff Springs golf course.

2008 – May 8 – 11, Jasper, Alberta, Jasper Park Lodge with golf at the Jasper Park Lodge golf course.

Also in 2008 the World Plumbing Conference will be held in Calgary September 24 – 27. MCA Canada, MCA Alberta and CIPH have undertaken to produce this conference and trade show. Committee members from the three Associations met in January and April and will continue to make planning progress.

**MCA CANADA CONFERENCE –**  
**PUERTO RICO – NOVEMBER 29 –**  
**DECEMBER 2, 2006:**

Ever wondered if other contractors or suppliers across Canada have the same concerns or ideas that you have? Why not find out by meeting them at a MCA Canada conference. “Treasure Quest 2006” is the theme for the 65th MCA Canada conference which will be held November 29 to December 2, 2006 at the Paradisus Puerto Rico, Coco Beach, Rio Grande, Puerto Rico. A conference brochure and registration forms may be obtained either from MCA Alberta or MCA Canada.

*Our condolences to the families of – Joe Oel, Charles Money, Herbert Martin who have recently passed away.*