



MCA ONTARIO **REPORT**

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...news / information all members should be aware of...

MCAO's 2012 Annual Meeting/Conference will be in sunny Punta Cana!!!

Join Industry Friends and associates on this “all inclusive” seven day stay on the Caribbean’s second largest island. This five star resort is set upon white sandy beaches and crystal clear waters on Punta Cana’s renowned Bavaro Beach. This year will feature keynote speakers; local tours, and of course the optional, “Punta Gofa” golf tournament. As with our most recent Annual Conferences, this event promises to be a most memorable and informative gathering of Associates from across Ontario’s Mechanical Contracting Industry.

Registration is now open! All those registered by December 10th will be eligible for our “early registration draw”. As MCAO must finalize all travel/hotel arrangements by January 7th, we ask that you please be sure to return your registration form to us by December 31st at the latest. Now you can register online!! Visit our website, www.mcao.org, and fill out the online registration form.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

IHSA Launches New “COR” Safety Program

The Infrastructure Health & Safety Association (IHSA) has launched a Certificate of Recognition (COR) Program which provides Construction Employers with an effective health and safety audit tool. Please see the attached Information and Registration Form, which outlines the benefits and training requirements for your organization.

Spotlight on OPIA

The Ontario Plumbing Inspectors Association Inc. (OPIA) is a non profit organization dedicated to protecting the health and well being of the Province of Ontario through safe plumbing. Their primary purpose is to promote the improvement of plumbing standards to insure protection of the environment, promote the advancement of knowledge concerning the safe installation of plumbing and to insure safe and adequate potable water systems in the Province of Ontario. The OPIA administers a Reciprocal Licencing program, a Provincial Standard Master Plumber Examination and a Provincial Standard Drain Contractor Examination for the benefit of Municipalities engaged in a Master Plumber and Drain Contractor licencing program.

Each year, the OPIA hosts a Conference which features:

- Vendor/Supplier showcase which demonstrates new/innovative products
- Their AGM which highlights the OPIA's commitment and involvement with the Pipe Trades.
- A "Round Table" session where delegates can have informal discussions on 4-6 topics such as changes to the Building Code and backflow prevention.
- And educational seminars on specific plumbing issues such as Water Pipe Sizing and Wet Venting

We would like to encourage member firms to become members of OPIA and attend this conference as it provides valuable information for your employees. Please contact the OPIA directly for membership inquires and watch this space for announcements of their next conference.

BIM Seminar Being Offered on November 10th in Toronto

The National Research Council of Canada is hosting a series of Building Information Modeling (BIM) sessions across the Nation. Ontario will have both a Toronto date and a date in Ottawa. Please see the attached forms for exact dates, times and locations, as well as how to register.

Improve Your Productivity and Reduce Project Costs By Up To 25%!!

Clevor Technologies Inc. provides a revolutionary "project optimization" service which allows contractors to execute a project using the best method for reducing project cost and duration. This is accomplished using their software and personnel who work in conjunction with your Project Manager. Project tasks and subtasks are inputted into their patented system, and they then provide you with an Optimized Schedule. Clevor will also track and adjust the schedule during the duration of the project, thus ensuring jobs are completed, "Ahead of schedule" and "below budget". For additional information, customer testimonials and to view the full range of products/services, please visit www.clevor.com.

NEW QC Manual Template Available!

In conjunction with TSSA, MCAO has developed a new/up to date Quality Control Manual for Boiler and Pressure Vessels. This template is available to member firms through a joint program which entitles participants to a discount from TSSA on their Manual Renewal fees. Please contact MCAO for information on the cost of the template as well as the discount from TSSA.

MCAO Has A New Website!!!

Our website has been redesigned to make it easier for you, our members, to get the information you need quickly and accurately. We have added an Events Calendar so please pass along your Industry Events and we will be sure to include them. Please let us know of any additional features/information you would like to see on our website and we will do our best to incorporate your suggestion. Check it out! www.mcao.org

News & Views ...

As always, MCA Ontario welcomes your feedback on any articles appearing in the MCA Ontario Report. We also encourage your input/suggestions with respect to future topics you feel should be addressed in this newsletter/you feel would be of importance/interest to all Members. Please contact us in this regard at 905 856-0342; and be sure to check out the latest updates on our website: www.mcao.org!!!