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## 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, held in Ottawa, ON, was attended by approximately 320 delegates, including 15 one-day delegates, 13 students and 66 new members. Six of the new members were students. A total of 96 general and student new members have been mailed their membership certificates as well as two new sustaining memberships. The conference delegates, along with 29 accompanying persons, enjoyed the conference and local areas near-by the Fairmont Château Laurier. There were 24 technical papers presented at the conference. This year's CUPGA seminar on Sunday afternoon included brief presentations from CTAA's 6 Regional Directors as well as presentations and discussion on the "Positive Impact & Challenges of Asphalt Cement Modification". The training session, held on Sunday morning, for this year was entitled

### Special points of interest:

- Conference Highlights
- Message from the President
- Award Recipients
- 2016 Board
- 2015 Conference Photo Gallery
- Membership Dues
- Scholarships

"Cold-in-Place Recycling" and was presented jointly by Tom Dziejko and Reza Namjouy of AME Materials and AECON Materials Engineering, respectively.

On a completely different note, all participants who stayed at the Fairmont Château Laurier will likely remember this year's conference as the year they were awakened by an unexpected wake-up call for the AGM in the form of fire alarm at 5:50 a.m. The fire was mostly smoke in a kitchen in the basement and all guests were regularly reassured of the safety of being able to stay in their rooms. But by the time the "all clear" was sounded guests were up and ready to start their day.

### MESSAGE FROM CTAA'S PRESIDENT

Dear CTAA Members and Friends,

I just wanted to take a moment and thank all of you that were able to attend our outstanding conference held recently in Ottawa. It was a great turnout of veterans of the Association and first time attendees "joining the conversation", and enhancing it. With a total of 10 first-time presenters, it was great to hear the contributions to the Association by the new members.

Once again our amazing sponsors helped make the event possible and for that I extend our gratitude for their continued support. I would also like to extend a special thanks to the many LAC volunteers for their hard work in putting together our conference.

This edition of the Newsletter features a recap of the conference and the awards presented at the conference. Please check out the photos included in the Newsletter, as well as those posted on the CTAA web site.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a very happy and prosperous New Year and trust the recent holiday season was filled with fun, laughter and peace.

**Hugh B. Donovan**

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### CALL FOR PAPERS – 2016 Banff

A copy of the **Call for Papers** has been included with the invoices mailed out in January and can also be downloaded from the website. Please note the closing date for submissions of abstracts, February 12th, 2016. The selection of 20 - 25 papers for presentation at the Conference is normally made from about 40 abstract submissions. The success and continued existence of our Association depends on the presentation of sufficient high quality technical papers at our conference. **Please send in your offers before the February 12<sup>th</sup> deadline date.** To download a copy in [English](#) or in [French](#) click on the links.

## UPDATES AND TIDBITS

### Newest Honorary Member—2015

On November 18, 2015, Ken Fyvie was made an honorary member of CTAA. Ken joined CTAA in 1986 through the conference held in Vancouver that year. He has attended every conference since! Ken has presented papers at our conferences; has served on the Board of Directors as: a co-chair for the 1998 conference held in Vancouver; Regional Director for BC in 2000 for two consecutive terms and again in 2008 for one term; and as President in 2002. Ken initiated the outreach to colleges and universities and produced the current promotional brochure which can be found on the web site. Ken has also provided mentoring for the 2012 LAC for the Vancouver conference.



**Congratulations, Ken!**

Ken Fyvie being presented his certificate  
by Jason Herring.

### Future Conferences

- 2016 Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, AB  
*(picture courtesy of free images on google.ca)*
- 2017 Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, Halifax, NS
- 2018 Regina, SK — negotiations in progress



*Don't forget to plan for  
the conference !*

### 60<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Minutes

The draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Ottawa last November are posted on our web site at [www.ctaa.ca](http://www.ctaa.ca). For those who do not have access to the internet and/or wish to have a hard copy, please contact Head Office. Of particular note is the revised financial statements. In order to comply with current accounting rules, 2014 numbers were revised to follow current processes.

	2015	2014 revised
<b>Revenue</b>		
Annual Conference	290,126	280,398
Dues	126,595	129,758
Other	14,272	11,399
<i>Total</i>	<i>430,993</i>	<i>421,555</i>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Annual Conference	262,294	204,322
Miscellaneous	28,375	23,945
Support Services	48,483	50,682
Board of Directors	11,344	14,047
Office	17,076	31,202
Proceedings	47,908	42,021
<i>Total</i>	<i>415,480</i>	<i>366,219</i>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>15,513</b>	<b>55,336</b>
<b>Member Equity</b>		
Beginning of year	542,958	487,622
End of year	558,471	542,958

**Should anyone wish a copy of the statements circulated at the AGM, please contact Head Office.**



### Board of Directors 2015 – 2016

**Back Row:** Roman Stefaniw, Stephen Goodman (Editor), Art Johnston, Ryan Clark, Jason Herring, Chuck McMillan (Secretary Treasurer), René Dufresne, Michael Esenwa  
**Centre Row:** Rielle Haichert,  
**Front Row:** Alan Carter, Todd Strynadka, Hugh Donovan, Nabil Kamel, Keith MacInnis

### Board of Directors 2015 – 2016

<b>President</b>	Hugh Donovan
<b>1st Vice President</b>	Todd Strynadka
<b>2nd Vice President</b>	Nabil Kamel
<b>Regional Directors:</b>	
<i>Alberta</i>	Roman Stefaniw
<i>British Columbia</i>	Jason Herring
<i>Prairies Provinces and Territories</i>	Rielle Haichert
<i>Ontario</i>	Michael Esenwa
<i>Québec</i>	René Dufresne
<i>Atlantic</i>	Ryan Clark
<i>LAC Chair 2016</i>	Art Johnston
<i>LAC Chair 2017</i>	Ryan Clark
<b>Past President</b>	Alan Carter
<b>Past Past President</b>	Keith MacInnis
<b>Appointees:</b>	
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	Chuck McMillan
<i>Proceedings Editor/ Communications Manager</i>	Steve Goodman

### 2016 Committees

<b>Executive</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Hugh Donovan</b> Alan Carter Keith MacInnis Todd Strynadka Nabil Kamel Chuck McMillan
<b>Conference Program for 2016</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Todd Strynadka</b> Nabil Kamel Regional Directors
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Jason Herring</b>
<b>Education &amp; Training</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>René Dufresne</b> Alan Carter Hugh Donovan Todd Strynadka
	<i>Sunday Course</i>	Chuck McMillan
<b>By-Laws</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Keith MacInnis</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Alan Carter</b> Keith MacInnis Todd Strynadka
<b>Scholarship</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Ryan Clark</b> Regional Directors
<b>CUPGA Liaison</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Nabil Kamel</b>
<b>Marketing</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Roman Stefaniw</b> Rielle Haichert

## Annual Membership Dues

### General Information

We wish to remind those that paid the non-member fee to attend the Conference in Ottawa ***paid fees for a 2015 membership*** in the Association.

Invoices for **2016** annual dues have been mailed. Members are asked to ensure that the second (yellow) copy of the invoice accompany all payments so that identification of the payee can be easily made. Members who do not pay by mid-April will be re-invoiced. Your co-operation in a speedy payment is appreciated.

### Replacing Members

General membership with CTAA is held on an individual basis and is not transferrable. If a member is to be replaced by another person in an organization then a new application must be forwarded. The proposed member is required to submit an application for approval by the Board. A link to the current year's application form can be found on the "[Join / Contact / Order Form](#)" page on the web site.

### Contact Information

Please note that the invoices include your mailing address, telephone / facsimile numbers, and e-mail addresses.

If there are any corrections or changes, please indicate them on the yellow copy of the invoice returned with your payment. Some organization's finance departments do not send the yellow copy with the cheque so ***please, take a moment to forward Head Office this information yourself.*** Also, on the invoice there is included the option of donating to the Scholarship fund.

### Payment Information

For those who paid 2015 dues they may [pay online](#) or login to the "Members Only Page" of the web site and click on the "Renew Membership" link.

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## CTAA'S SCHOLARSHIPS

### Available CTAA Scholarships

*Provided qualified applications are received, CTAA, in 2016, plans to again award 3 scholarships each valued at \$2000.00; the CTAA Graduate Scholarship, the CTAA Undergraduate Scholarship and the CTAA Applied Technology Scholarship.*

**The CTAA Graduate Scholarship** will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a Canadian university program leading to a post graduate degree which contributes to advances in any facet of asphalt technology. Eligible fields of study include chemistry, chemical engineering, and construction or civil engineering. Other areas of study may be considered provided the applicant clearly notes the relevance of his/her curriculum towards asphalt technology.

**The CTAA Undergraduate Scholarship** will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, a Canadian technical college or a university program leading to an undergraduate degree which contributes to advances in any facet of asphalt technology. Eligible fields of study include chemistry, chemical engineering, and construction or civil engineering. Other areas of study may be considered provided the applicant clearly notes the

relevance of his/her curriculum towards asphalt technology.

**The CTAA Applied Technology Scholarship** will be presented to a student who has been admitted into, or is currently enrolled in, Canadian technical college or a community college program leading to a diploma which contributes to advances in any facet of asphalt technology. Eligible fields of study include chemistry, chemical engineering, and construction or civil engineering. Other areas of study may be considered provided the applicant clearly notes the relevance of his/her curriculum towards asphalt technology. Applicants with industrial experience in asphalt technology are encouraged to apply.

**Application Process:** In order to be considered for the annual CTAA Scholarships the following materials must be received by the CTAA office no later than July 1st. Information received after this deadline will not be considered in the scholarship

review process.

- Completed scholarship form;
- Applicant's resume (outline education, career objectives, work experience, community involvement, participation in extracurricular activities, special interests and achievements);
- Current academic transcripts;
- Applicant's statement of present and long-term career goals and aspirations (500 words or less);
- Three reference letters as noted below:
  - A letter of reference from the applicant's program advisor.
  - Two reference letters, preferably from CTAA members, or from individuals knowledgeable in the technical/academic qualifications of the applicant.
- The original letters must be sent directly to the CTAA office.

**Members of the Canadian Technical Asphalt Association are encouraged to pass on this information to students that may be interested in our scholarship program and who may not be aware of the information we pass on to institutions of higher learning. The Board of Directors has attempted to identify all the institutions in Canada and a particular individual in each institution but some may have been missed and they look to the members for assistance.**

## 2016 Annual Conference - Banff, Alberta

The 2016 Conference, chaired by Art Johnston, will be held at Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel in Banff, Alberta from Sunday, November 13 to Wednesday, November 16. Room rates have been set at **\$221** for a Fairmont Guest Room. Deluxe rooms and suites will be available at higher rates. Conference and hotel **registration information** will be posted on the web site in **July** and in addition will be mailed to those for whom an email address has not been provided.

**Please remember that** registration for the CUPGA workshop being held in the afternoon on Sunday, November 13, 2015, is **included** in your regular conference registration fee.

The **training session** is scheduled for Sunday morning as a **separate** registration on the Conference registration form. Again, the fee for CUPGA is included in the conference registration fee.

The Welcome Reception on Sunday night will be held in the Alahambra Room in the hotel. This reception is an excellent place to meet with your old friends, meet new acquaintances and just to generally have a good time before the technical sessions begin on Monday.

The Association has recognized that the earlier the conference registrations are made, the easier it is for the Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) to plan the meal requirements. To encourage early registration, the Association offers an early bird discount of \$50.00 for registrations received on or before **October 14, 2016, so be sure to register early.**

A trend seems to have developed over the last few years whereby hotel accommodations are made in anticipation of an individual's attendance at the conference. Sometimes, a cancellation is needed. But when this happens close to or after the hotel's cut off date for holding the rooms for our event, people seeking rooms after the cut-off date have often found there are no rooms available in the host hotel. This year, because Banff's hotels are not situated close to each other, perhaps before you release the room to the hotel after the cut-off date consider contacting CTAA's Head Office with your name and the dates of your reservation. This information can be passed on to anyone contacting Head Office looking for a room. This helps the LAC with fulfilling their room block commitment thereby reducing unnecessary costs for the conference.

*CTAA looks forward to meeting you in Banff in 2016!*

### Annual Membership Dues

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#### Tax Exemption

Members who are employed by government organizations are exempt from GST or HST **ONLY** if the government body is paying the invoice. Exemption numbers should be recorded on the yellow copy of the invoice. If paying online through the renew Membership Dues link, please indicate in either Professional Qualifications or Experience fields the GST/HST exemption number.

All invoices paid by personal cheque, money order, or personal credit card **MUST** include GST/HST. Members who have not paid their dues by **July 31, 2016** will be placed on the delinquent list and their names will not appear in the **2016** copy of the **Proceedings**.

#### Payment by Credit Card

*Visa, MasterCard and American Express* are the credit cards accepted by CTAA for all payments to the Association. Please ensure the name of the cardholder is included with the payment if different than the member's name.

As a reminder, to access the "Members Only" section of the site, your user name is now your member number and your password is your last name. Both are case sensitive and should be entered as they appear on your invoice or your membership card which you will receive with your 2016 receipt for dues paid. Members Only page is accessible by paid-up members only.

All the Proceedings have been posted on our web site and are accessible by paid up members. Some members prefer using the posted document rather than the book so you will note that this year's invoice includes a space to indicate whether or not you would like a Proceedings book. Invoices returned without any indication will be noted as a "yes". The Board of Directors wish to advise all members that they are not trying to eliminate the book but are merely trying to change the number of copies printed and shipped.

### 2015 Conference Photo Gallery

*(All photos courtesy of Leon Switzer of Front Page Media Group)*



*LAC co-Chair, Russ Perry and new student member, Eric Shaw, answering questions following their presentation on Monday afternoon.*

Discussion Panel for the Contractors' Workshop held on Tuesday entitled "Challenges of Paving In Urban /Rural Areas"



## Earl Kee and Norman E. McLeod Awards

The 2014 winners of the **Earl Kee** and **Norman E. McLeod Awards** were **Éric Lachance-Tremblay** and **Pavel Kriz**, respectively.



**Earl Kee**

Emmanuel Dion with President Alan Carter, accepting on behalf of **Éric Lachance-Tremblay**



## 2015 Elaine Thompson Award

This year the **Elaine Thompson Award** award goes to the paper entitled “**Physical Hardening in Asphalt**” by **Jamie-Lee Freeston**, **Graeme Gillespie**, **Simon A.M. Hesp**, **Migle Pauliukaite**, and **Russell Taylor**.

*Photo: Simon Hesp, Steve Goodman (ECM), and Migle Pauliukaite.*



**Norman E. McLeod**

Pavel Kriz with President Alan Carter

## CONFERENCE PHOTO GALLERY

*(courtesy of Leon Switzer of FrontPage Media Group)*

### Accompanying Guest Program



Tour of the Parliament Bldgs.

### Technical Session, CUPGA Workshop, Banquet and Welcome Reception



Sunday's Course - *Cold-in Place Recycling*



CUPGA Workshop on Sunday



High Tea at the Chateau Laurier



Tuesday's Casino Royale



Welcome Reception at the War Museum

## CUPGA

The Annual Meeting of the Management Committee for the Canadian User Producer Group for Asphalt was held on Wednesday, November 18th, 2015.

The Management Committee Executive for this year is as follows:

**Chair:** Rielle Haichert

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair:** Nawaz Panhwer

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair:** Selena Lavorato

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair:** Frank Liu

**Past Chair:** Pamela Marks