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February 21, 2012

[Leadership Day Video](#)

Chairman Mike Reinders has recorded a video for you with regards to the upcoming Leadership Day. Click on the headline to view it. There is still space available to attend on March 8, and we have attached the registration form and agenda for your convenience.

[Drummond Report Likely to Lead to Changes to Infrastructure Investment](#)

On February 15, the day Don Drummond issued his much anticipated report, the OGCA and our partners in the Construction and Design Alliance of Ontario (CDAO) met with Hon Bob Chiarelli to offer support for the Long-Term Infrastructure Plan (LTIP). The implications of the Drummond recommendations cannot be denied. Even if the government elects to cherry pick from the recommendation's massive program reductions and expenditure, cuts are inevitable. Budgeting and funding of programs as we have known them, will be massively overhauled.

HHCA Safety Awards

Congratulations to The Barclay Construction Group Inc. for winning the Category III Award for Safety through the Hamilton Halton Construction Association. The award winners are selected for their planning and implementation of effective safety strategies.

Young Leader Award

Congratulations to member Ron Worrall of Ira McDonald Construction in Hamilton, who has won the Inaugural Young Leader Award for his work as founding member of the Young Leaders Group at the HHCA, and being so instrumental in developing the YLG into one of the hardest working committees on the HHCA Board.

The Generals

The latest edition of the Generals magazine will soon be mailed to our members. If you wish to receive a hard copy of the magazine, please contact Mary Wademan (mary@ogca.ca). Otherwise, please feel free to check out our website at www.ogca.ca to view it online.

Procurement Day

We're still taking names of OGCA Members who are interested in participating in the Procurement Day event on April 16. If you are interested, please contact Mary Wademan at OGCA (mary@ogca.ca).

[New Documents / Guides](#)

New CCDC 45 'A Guide to CCDC 5A Construction Management Contract - for Services'
New CCDC 46 'A Guide to CCDC 5B Construction Management Contract - for Services and Construction'
New CCDC 47 'A Guide to CCDC 17 Stipulated Price Contract Between Owner and Trade Contractor for Construction Management Projects'

CCA is pleased to announce that the above new documents are now available. OGCA has added them to our price list. Click on the headline to visit The Store.

IHSA 2-Minute News

Some of the topics in this week's IHSA 2-minute News include:

- Safety talk: Stretching exercises
 - Trade profiles outline controls for MSDs
 - Ladder use in construction guideline released
 - IHSA on the road with spring aggregate program
 - Tower crane blitz results released
 - Upcoming MOL blitz to focus on construction sector
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Philadelphia, PA

Did you know that the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Philadelphia has a "Walkability" score of 97%! What does that mean, you ask? Well, for those of us planning to attend the Annual General Meeting and Conference in Philly in September, it means that you won't need a rental car for your visit, as you can reach – on foot - many of the places you may wish to visit. Restaurants, coffee shops, parks, museums, and so on – all are within a quick walk. But if you feel you need transportation, the Ritz Carlton scores a Transit Score of 100% which makes it a Rider's Paradise!

Accessible Construction Contractor Training

Become a specialist in accessible construction. Offered by March of Dimes and Quadrangle Architects in Toronto, courses will be run on February 29, March 22 and April 18. For more information, visit <http://linkd.in/zPtrzH>.

Harvey Kirsh Moves On ...

Harvey Kirsh has advised that he has joined Glaholt LLP as Counsel, effective February 1, 2012. Glaholt LLP is a well known and respected construction law boutique firm in Toronto, which is involved in the resolution of complex claims and disputes arising out of the construction of infrastructure, energy, resource, commercial, industrial and institutional projects, both domestically and internationally.

Webinars

- **What you Don't Know Can Hurt You – Sonia Regenbogen, Heenan Blaikie LLP** presents this webinar on **Monday, February 27, 2012** on **Conducting Workplace Investigations** – If one of your employees alleges discrimination or harassment, are you prepared to carry out a proper investigation?
- **Grow Your Business to the Next Level – Julia Beykun & Pamela Horan, BDC** present this 90 minute webinar on opportunities that may exist to strengthen your company's position in the marketplace – **Tuesday, February 28, 2012**
- **Managing Claims and Controlling Costs with the WSIB – Rhonda Shirreff, Heenan Blaikie LLP** – In this program, you will learn what you need to know to navigate the complicated and frustrating world of WSIB claims, costs and much more – **Tuesday, March 13, 2012**
- **Are You Prepared for Bill 119? Michael Zacks, Office of the Employer Adviser** examines the issues, prepares you for mandatory coverage in the construction industry, and answers all your related questions – **Monday, March 12, 2012**

Make sure you or someone from your office signs up for these interactive live webinars!

Gold Seal Courses

- **Planning & Scheduling for Contractors – Starting Monday, March 19, 2012**
- **Building Leadership – Starting Tuesday, March 20, 2012**
- **Construction Claims Management – Starting Thursday, March 29, 2012**
- **Management for Construction Supers – Starting Wednesday, April 11, 2012**
- **Moisture Control – Building Envelope – Starting Thursday, May 3, 2012**
- **Fundamentals of Concrete Technology – Starting Thursday, May 17, 2012**
- **Construction Documentation Course – One day only – Friday, June 8, 2012**

Interested but location is an issue? We are coordinating with Grand Valley, Hamilton–Halton and Windsor Construction Associations to offer these Gold Seal Courses in your area.

For full details on these and any other courses please go to www.ogca.ca
or contact Julie at 905-671-3969/ julie@ogca.ca

SAVE THE DATE! SYMPOSIUM #8 (CAN'T BELIEVE THAT RHYMED!)

Don't forget that the Construction Symposium #8 will be held April 11 – 13, 2013 at Blue Mountain Resort in Collingwood. The Ontario Builder Awards will be presented on Friday, April 12, 2013 following dinner.

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