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[Video Link – Gold Seal](#)

The [CCA Gold Seal Certification Program](#) is a national certification program for construction Project Managers, Superintendents, Estimators and Owners' Project Managers. Certification is based on the candidate's education, experience and their ability to satisfy the rigorous standards of the Program. For the individual – the Gold Seal Certificate is a declaration of skill and competence that is recognized by the construction industry across the country. The Certificate will enhance mobility and professional development of construction managers.

For the General Contractor – employing Gold Seal Certified managers is a statement regarding the professionalism and commitment of your company to construction management excellence. A Gold Seal Certificate assists employers in recruiting capable construction managers.

Watch this video for more on the program.

LEADERSHIP DAY – MARCH 8, 2012

Be sure to fill out the registration form (attached) and send it in. This meeting will be an eye-opener to many of you, as the changes coming down from government will affect all of you. CEOs, Presidents, Vice Presidents, Safety Coordinators, Safety Managers, and all workers are encouraged to attend.

Chief Prevention Officer George Gritzioitis to Address Leadership Meeting

George Gritzioitis, Chief Prevention Officer (CPO) for Ontario will be the special guest speaker at the OGCA Leadership Day being held on March 8, 2012.

Chairmen Mike Reinders is inviting all members to attend Leadership Day to discuss our commitment to health and safety and plans to implement the COR program. The Registration Form is attached.

[Contractors will be required to enforce WSIB Coverage of Independent Operators](#)

Effective January 2013, Bill 119 will make it an offence under the Workplace Safety Insurance Act (WSIA) to hire a contractor to perform construction work without a valid Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) clearance certificate.

Procurement Day

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

Welcome New Members

OGCA is pleased to announce that we have six new members from across the province. Please help us welcome the following firms:

Allied Construction Corporation – London
Robert J. Bourgon & Associates Ltd. – Cornwall
Carrier Mausoleums Construction Ltd. – Bolton
Gillam Group Inc. – Toronto
New-Can Group Inc. – Oakville
Serianni Construction Ltd. – Welland

ATTACHMENTS

City of London – New LCIP Arrangements

Attached is a package that outlines the new requirements for contractors and their respective insurance brokers as it relates to insurance coverage necessary for City of London owned and managed projects, effective January 2012. Notification of these changes has been advised to brokers through their Association representatives. We have been asked to provide a copy of this package to our members so that you are aware of their requirements from both a bid perspective as well as a claims handling procedures as both of these have changed.

Heenan Recent Developments in Workplace Law

Over the past year, there have been many important developments in labour and employment, pensions and benefits, occupational health and safety and workers' compensation and privacy law. Recent Developments in Workplace Law is Heenan Blaikie's annual

publication designed to summarize these key developments and it serves as a supplement to the Managing the Workplace Seminar

Series, a series of complimentary breakfast seminars hosted by our Ontario Labour and Employment practice group.

OHS & Workers Compensation Update National Standard for Psychological H&S in Cdn Workplace

A new and surprisingly complex Canadian Standards Association (CSA) Standard may be arriving at and impacting your workplace soon. A proposed Standard has been developed, setting out optimistic goals and processes for achieving "psychological health and safety" in the workplace. Policies, procedures, hazard identification, incident investigation and monitoring activities may be required, in addition to all of the existing steps being taken to develop and manage OHS systems. This article introduces and analyses the proposed Standard.

Leadership COR Meeting Announcement FINAL – regarding the March 8 Leadership Meeting

[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>.

Foundation Supportworks

"An Introduction to Helical Pile Foundation Systems" - Foundation Supportworks of Ontario consults and provides structural support solutions for projects that involve Helical Piles and Tiebacks. Regularly scheduled lunch and learn webinars offer educational opportunities in Helical foundation systems. For additional information and to register for a webinar, please visit www.fsiontario.ca or contact Ken Pistrutto at 416 716-0294 or ken@fsiontario.ca.

EDUCATION

FREE TO OGCA MEMBERS – Yes, that's right... Our webinars are **FREE** to OGCA Members. **Heenan Blaikie LLP** is running a series of webinars for February and March 2012 on topics such as:

Heenan Blaikie LLP Presents:

Top Employment Standards Act Headaches and How to Handle Them – everyone wants to know right? Join Jonathan Dye – Partner, Heenan Blaikie LLP and find out how! Wednesday, February 8, 2012

What you DON'T know can HURT You! Sonia Regenbogen, Heenan Blaikie LLP, Presents this webinar on Conducting Workplace Investigations when one of your employees alleges discrimination or harassment... Monday, February 27, 2012

Managing Claims and Controlling Costs with the WSIB – Rhonda Shirreff, Heenan Blaikie LLP, will help you understand learn how to navigate the complicated and frustrating world of WSIB claims, costs and appeals – Tuesday, March 13, 2012

OGCA MEMBERS ONLY!

OGCA policies on Dealing with Supplementary Conditions for OGCA members only – this webinar is presented by our one and only **Clive Thurston!** This is an important webinar that ALL MEMBERS should be registering for, to find out the OGCA methods and tactics for dealing with Supplementary Conditions.

Above are just some of the webinars we are offering, we will have Michael Zacks on Bill 119, BDC on how to grow your business, check out our website for more details or contact Julie -905-671-3969 or julie@ogca.ca

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

GOLD SEAL COURSES

OGCA brings you a full calendar of Gold Seal 30 hour courses being offered for 2012. Here are just some of the courses: **Planning & Scheduling for Contractors, Management for Construction Superintendents, Building Leadership, Construction Claims Management , Building Envelope Course, and many more ...**

Thank you for supporting our OGCA Education Programs!

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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