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## 2007 CAMA Calgary Conference

The CAMA Conference will be taking place in Calgary, Alberta, May 28-30, 2007. For information on the Conference, visit our website:  
[http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2007.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2007.asp)

## 2006 CAMA Montreal Conference

Take a moment to visit the 2006 CAMA Conference website, where you can see the complete listing of the sponsors and exhibitors from Montreal:  
[http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2006.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2006.asp)

We would like to thank these organizations once again, for their support and participation.

## Board News



- The next Board meetings will be held in Ottawa, from November 23-25, 2006, and then in London, ON, from March 1-3, 2007.

## Member Profile



**Julian deCoq**  
**Chief Administrative Officer**  
**Town of Cochrane, Alberta**

"Hello to my CAMA colleagues, it is now my turn to provide a short "CV" and backgrounder on my exploits as CAO for the Town of Cochrane (Alberta, that is). As many of you are starting to make plans to visit this part of the Country for the annual conference next year, I am pleased that our community will be involved in some of the conference planning and events.

This week marks my eleventh year with Cochrane, during which time I have witnessed the unprecedented growth from a small community of just over 6,000 to over 13,500. The impact of more than doubling in size in this short time has been both a blessing and a curse. Cochrane, from 1996 to 2001 was the fastest growing community in Canada, and this "organized chaos" was, and continues to be a challenge. From the provision of water and sewer, to policing and fire protection, the unenviable task of finding a balance between demands, needs and resources has been quite an experience indeed. If you were to ask me whether all this growth has been positive, I would have to argue that while growth is important, it should be managed and be sustainable. Some of these forces are more "manageable" than others and I must confess, I have yet to find the "magic bullet" that defines the perfect sustainability model.

When you come to Cochrane, and I hope you do, you should be impressed with our location in the foothills of the Rocky mountains, adjacent to the Bow River and yet only thirty minutes from downtown Calgary. You will quickly appreciate the passion that people have for the environment and the need to contain urban sprawl. You will also appreciate the significant planning challenges that exist not just in Cochrane, but also in the adjacent MD of Rocky View and the City of Calgary, as we all attempt to find the right mix that works for all of us. And yes, this includes whether or not to support a Wal Mart.

Now just a little about me...I have been the CAO for Cochrane since coming over from the City of Airdrie in 1995. My previous fifteen years with Airdrie were equally as rewarding as I advanced through that organization assuming many different administrative roles and responsibilities. During this time I attained my CLGM (Certified Local Government Manager) designation and completed the Local Government of Alberta required course work.

Over the past number of years I have had the opportunity to serve as president of the Local Government Administrators Association, participate on several Provincial committees, including the Minister's Awards for Excellence Advisory Committee and



have been a long standing member of AUMA's (Alberta Urban Municipalities Association) Municipal Governance Committee.

When I'm not "on the job" I have served as President of the Rotary Club of Cochrane, and every Thursday I pull out my tenor sax and play with an eighteen piece dance band which I have been part of for the past 30 years. Sharon and I celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary this year and we are actually down to one sibling living at home. All the best as you make your plans to come West in 2007...see you when you get here."...

Julian can be reached via email at [julian.decoq@cochrane.ca](mailto:julian.decoq@cochrane.ca).

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## International News

### ICMA

CAMA enjoys a close working relationship with the International City/County Managers Association (ICMA). Through our Affiliation Agreement CAMA members can enjoy the benefits of ICMA membership at a substantially reduced rate. 150 CAMA members hold membership in ICMA. Canadian members of ICMA are by far the largest group of the 30 member countries outside the US. Each year typically 60 Canadian members and partners attend the ICMA annual conference and participate on various committees. The ICMA conference will be in Montreal in 2009. Check out the ICMA website at [www.icma.org](http://www.icma.org).

CAMA is also developing closer links with British and European municipal management organizations such as the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives and Senior Managers (SOLACE) <http://www.solace.org.uk/> and the "Union des Dirigeants Territoriaux de l'Europe" – the Union of Local Authority Chief Executives of Europe (UDiTE) <http://www.udite.eu/get/19916.html> . As well we maintain contact with our colleagues in Australia - Local Government Managers Australia (LGMA) <http://www.lgma.org.au/> and the New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers (SOLGM) <http://www.solgm.org.nz/default.asp> .

## Community Leadership/Literacy Project

This feature will appear again in two weeks.



# CAMA Awards Program

## 2006 CAMA Awards

Congratulations to the City of Toronto, on their nomination for the 2006 Willis Award for Innovation, for municipalities with a population over 20,000, for their project entitled, *Every Child Belongs*.

*Every Child Belongs* is the message and the vision behind the City of Toronto's innovative initiative for an inclusive childcare system where children with extra support needs, who may have been otherwise excluded, have the same opportunity as other children to attend and actively participate in childcare programs in their community.

Toronto has had a long-term vision of a childcare system that was accessible to and benefits the development of all children. In 2005, Toronto's Children's Services made a commitment to double its financial investments in the support system for inclusion and launched *Every Child Belongs*. By developing additional support services, bold training initiatives and new evaluations for inclusion, the City is taking some steps to bring this vision to reality, while improving childcare quality for all children.

The *Every Child Belongs* initiative has three goals:

1. To build capacity of the childcare sector to include children with enhanced needs.
2. To sponsor responsive, timely specialized services that support the inclusion of children with enhanced needs.
3. To leverage our investment by supporting high-quality childcare programs. This will enhance a child's development by focusing on their individual interests, need and strengths so that all children have the same opportunity to attend and actively participate.

*Every Child Belongs* will influence the culture of childcare programs by making inclusion synonymous with quality. Embedding inclusion in the childcare conscience is essential to the success of the model. Ensuring our childcare services are accessible to all children in a measure of fundamental fairness and an articulation of how we envision citizenship. This initiative represents a partnership between childcare professionals, parents and the community, who all benefit when the childcare system offers an environment where every child truly belongs.



## Membership Notes

- To have a job posting appear in CAMA's job broadcast, and on our website, the cost is \$100 for members, and \$200 for non-members. For more information, or to have your job listed, please email [admin@camacam.ca](mailto:admin@camacam.ca).
- On behalf of the Board of Directors, we would like to welcome the following new member into CAMA:
  - Mike Galloway, Chief Administrative Officer, Township of Pelee, Ontario

The next CAMA e-Brief will be issued on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.  
Look for the next Job Broadcast on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

To have an item included in e-Brief, please contact Alycia Morehouse, at [alycia.morehouse@fredericton.ca](mailto:alycia.morehouse@fredericton.ca).

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