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An Electronic update of news and events from the
Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators.

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2007 CAMA Conference ... A Great Success

A great success... That's how organizers are describing the 2007 National CAMA Conference that took place in Calgary, AB from May 28-30. A total of 235 delegates from across the country attended this excellent educational and networking event.

The conference started with delegates enjoying the CAMA golf tournament at Heritage Pointe golf course. While the tour to Banff organized by CAMA was cancelled, several delegates took the trip offered by Brewster Sightseeing Tours.

There was also a tour of the Bernard Callebault Chocolaterie, followed by a trip up the Calgary Tower for a bird's eye view of Calgary. (This tour was offered again on May 29th.) One professional development session was offered on the afternoon of May 28th. Dr. Frank Benest gave a presentation about balancing your life after retirement.

May 29th started with a group run and guided walking tour, followed by breakfast. The tradeshow area was open from 7 am to 3:15 pm. Following the opening ceremonies, keynote speaker, Dr. Linda Duxbury addressed human resources in a changing world and its impact on municipalities.



The Community Leadership Awards were presented during the noontime luncheon. National Awards of Excellence for Municipal Workplace Literacy & Learning Achievements were presented in several categories. The list of winners follows in a story below.

Following dessert in the tradeshow area, Dr. Frank Benest was back for an afternoon keynote about preparing the next generation of managers. A speaker panel about succession planning in municipal government concluded the day's sessions.

The evening featured yet more western hospitality with a casual night out at Heritage Park. There were photos with Fred the Bull, and following this, for the really adventurous, there was a party at Ranchman's. Apparently, several municipal administrators are considering new careers as cowboys after witnessing the bull riding!

May 30th started with another group run and walking tour, then after breakfast, delegates gathered for the CAMA annual general meeting. A number of business items were conducted and the new board of directors was elected. See the Board News story below for a list of the new board of directors.

Keynote speaker, Dr. John Izzo was the first speaker of the day. He spoke about creating a "buzz" in the workplace. This was followed by two concurrent sessions for the enjoyment of delegates: Leading Change and the Value of Professional Management by Bob O'Neill and Knowledge Management by John Lethaby.

The CAMA Awards of Excellence Luncheon was held at noon. See the CAMA Awards Program section below for the list of winners. The closing ceremonies for the 2007 conference followed in the tradeshow area, where lots of prizes were also given away. This was followed by several city tour options for the enjoyment of delegates. The President's Reception and Dinner ended the day. A number of post-conference events were offered on May 31st, all built around the theme of environmental sustainability.

The 37th Annual CAMA National Conference is planned for Quebec City, PQ from May 26-28, 2008.

Board News

CAMA has a new slate of officers elected at the 2007 national conference in Calgary, AB. Congratulations to the following individuals who will serve for the following year:

Barry Carroll

President/Président
At Large/Directeur par mandate spécial

Simon Farbrother

Past President/Président-sortant

Owen Tobert

First Vice-President/Premier vice-président
Alberta and Northwest Territories/Alberta et
Territoires du Nord-Ouest

Chris MacPherson

Second Vice-President/Deuxieme vice-président
New Brunswick/Nouveau Brunswick

Joann Chechalk

Treasurer/Trésorier
Ontario

Jim Rule

British Columbia and Yukon/Colombie-
Britannique et Yukon

Keith Robicheau

Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island/Nouvelle
Écosse et Ile-du-Prince-Édouard

Ron Penney

Newfoundland and Labrador/Terre-Neuve-et-
Labrador

Jean Savard

Québec

Jacques Desormeaux

At Large/Directeur par mandat spécial

James Toye

Manitoba and Saskatchewan/Manitoba,
Saskatchewan et Nunavut



Member Profile



Barry Carroll
CAMA President, 2007-2008

Barry Carroll, Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Sackville, NB is the new president for the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA). He was elected to the position at the association's annual general meeting held as part of the CAMA national conference, which took place in Calgary, AB from May 28-30.

Mr. Carroll was elected to the position of president after serving a one-year term as 1st Vice President for the association and as CAMA National Awards Program chair. He has also represented CAMA on the Social Economic Development Standing Committee of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. He served for a two-year period as CAMA Treasurer and a one-year term as 3rd Vice President. He was CAMA's lead on the organizing committee for the 2005 CAMA and FCM conferences held in St. John's, NL and chair of the CAMA Transitional Committee.

Mr. Carroll started his municipal career in 1988 as Director of Parks and Recreation and subsequently Town Manager for the Town of St. Anthony, NL. He was actively involved in the community, taking on a number of roles in the recreation and economic development areas, while at the same time managing a community with new fiscal realities. With the economic downturn from the closure of the cod fishery in the early 90's, Mr. Carroll worked as a part of a larger team of employees and volunteers who helped to rebuild the economy in St. Anthony.

In January of 2000, Mr. Carroll took on the position of Town Manager for the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's, a fast growing community of 6300 residents, bordering the Capital City of St. John's, NL. He worked there until the end of June 2006, when he resigned to take on his new position in Sackville. Mr. Carroll was fortunate to work with a team of dedicated staff and elected officials in helping the Town transform its operations to better accommodate economic growth.

In his new position, Mr. Carroll is building new relationships and helping to carry out the important agenda priorities for the Town of Sackville. Sackville is the home of Mount Allison University and is located near the border with the Province of Nova Scotia. For more information on the Town of Sackville, please visit the Town's website at www.sackville.com.

Mr. Carroll is a graduate of Memorial University of Newfoundland. He and his wife, Susan, a Senior Personal Banking Officer with a local bank in Sackville, have two children, Keitha and Kirsten. Mr. Carroll can be reached at b.carroll@sackville.com.

**If you would like to be profiled in an upcoming CAMA e-Brief, please contact Wayne Knorr at wayne.knorr@fredericton.ca or the CAMA Administration at the contact information at the end of this newsletter.*

CAMA Awards Program

The Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators is pleased to announce the 2007 Award recipients as presented at the association's 2007 national conference in Calgary, AB:

- **Willis Award for Innovation**
(For a municipality with a population under 20,000)
 - Resort Municipality of Whistler
Innovative New Website for Monitoring and Communicating Whistler's Progress
Toward its Vision of Success and Sustainability (www.whistler2020.ca)



- **Willis Award for Innovation**
(For a municipality with a population over 20,000)
 - City of Calgary
The City of Calgary Development & Building Approvals for its Affordable Housing Implementation Plan
- **Education Award**
(For a municipality with a population over 20,000)
 - Region of Peel
The Peel Water Story Curriculum Resource
- **Environmental Award**
(For a municipality with a population over 20,000)
 - City of Edmonton
Petro Canada and the
City of Edmonton Recycle Water

(The Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators congratulates everyone who submitted nominations because each represents a practice, program or project that makes our municipalities a better place to live, work, and play.)

CAMA Community Leadership Awards

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- **Organizational Commitment to Workplace Literacy & Learning**
The Corporation of the City of Windsor, Corporate Training & Staff Development, Human Resources Department
- **Learner Achievement**
Rob Snyder, City of Kingston and CUPE Local 109
- **Recognition of New Workplace Literacy & Learning Initiatives**
City of Grande Prairie, Aquatera Utilities Inc., CUPE Local 787, GPPFA Local 2770
- **Recognition of New Workplace & Community Clear Language Initiatives**
City of Toronto
- **Recognition of Educators, Practitioners, or Organizations**
Gayle Constable, Workplace Educator Instructor, City of Moncton
- **Development of Effective and Successful Partnerships**
The City of Calgary and The Calgary Board of Education

(The Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators congratulates everyone who submitted nominations because each celebrates the outstanding efforts that people and organizations have made to municipal workplace education and literacy.)



Membership Notes

- On behalf of the CAMA Board of Directors, we would like to welcome the following new members:
 - Paul Waye, Senior Administrative Officer, Rankin Inlet, NU
- 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.

The next CAMA e-Brief will be issued on Monday, June 18th.
Look for the next Job Broadcast on Monday, June 11th.

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