



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

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## CAMA Update

### CAMA 2008 National Conference – Information Now Online

The 37th Annual CAMA Conference will be held in Quebec City from May 26-28, 2008. This year marks the 400th anniversary of the founding of Quebec City and lots of activities are planned. The theme for the conference is *“Preserving our Legacy,”* and will feature a number of excellent speakers, a number of optional city tours, as well as a great chance to network with municipal administrators from across the country. To find out more, click on the following link: [http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2008\\_PreliminaryProgram.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2008_PreliminaryProgram.asp).

The cost to register is \$550 plus GST for members and \$650 plus GST for non-members. Registration fees include all conference sessions, trade show, opening reception, breakfasts, breaks, lunches, casual night out and the President’s Dinner. The partner’s program costs \$195 plus GST, and includes a daytime partners’ program, as well as the opening reception, Tuesday’s casual night out, and Wednesday’s President Dinner. Additional tickets can be purchased for the casual night and President’s Dinner.

The CAMA Golf Day will be held on May 26, and is open to delegates and their partners. The member rate is \$135 plus GST, and includes green fees, lunch and snacks. If golf is not your game, you can register for the optional workshop on Monday afternoon with Felicia Logan, ICMA University, on dealing with change and its impact on leadership. To register for the conference, click here: [http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2008\\_registration.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2008_registration.asp).



The host hotel is the Hilton Québec, with room rates ranging from \$245 to \$325. Because of Quebec City's 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary, CAMA members must act early, and register by April 11, 2008. For reservations please call 418-647-6500 or 1-800-447-2411. Other hotels in the area include the Delta Québec Hotel and the Hôtel Courtyard Marriott de Québec. To find out more, or get a registration form to fax, visit [http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2008.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2008.asp). For general information on the conference, visit [http://www.camacam.ca/conference\\_2008.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/conference_2008.asp).

### **Municipal Green Building: Policy Development Workshop**

CAMA members will be interested to learn that the Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC) will be holding a workshop, sponsored by FCM, which will equip leaders and decision makers with practical information that supports progress towards municipal sustainability targets.

The workshop will be held in the following locations over the coming weeks: Halifax, March 26, Fairbanks Centre; St. John's, March 28, St. John's Town Hall; Hamilton, April 22, Liuna Station; and, Quebec City, May 29, Delta Hotel. To find out more, visit <http://www.cagbc.org/workshops/index/articles57.htm>.

## **Board News**

### **Board Positions Opening for 2008-2009 – Still Time to Consider**

In accordance with the requirements of the CAMA by-laws that a board member serve no more than four consecutive years unless s/he serves as a member of the executive committee, three board positions have opened up for 2008-2009.

Simon Farbrother (Waterloo), Immediate Past President of CAMA and Chair of the Nominating Committee invites CAMA members who live in the specified geographical areas to express their interest in letting their name stand for election at the Annual Meeting.

The length of term is one year, renewable annually at the subsequent Annual Meeting for a total of four consecutive years of service. The incumbents who are leaving invite inquiries from those who are interested. Their coordinates appear on the CAMA website at [http://www.camacam.ca/about\\_bod.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/about_bod.asp).

1. Representative for British Columbia and Yukon – currently held by Jim Rule, Maple Ridge, BC
2. Representative for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward – currently held by Keith Robicheau, Annapolis County, NS
3. Representative at Large – currently held by Simon Farbrother, Waterloo

CAMA members from throughout Canada may express an interest in being a member at large; traditionally the member at large has been selected from those provinces with the largest CAMA members in order to create balanced representation across the country.

President Barry Carroll (Sackville) acknowledges the work in progress of the Governance Committee that was struck at the Annual Meeting in 2007. The Committee's Chair, Brian Hamblin, will report to the Board at the next meeting in Brandon, Manitoba in March.

Recommendations arising from this report will be brought forward at the Annual Meeting in May with any recommended changes to the by-laws. For the 2008-2009 term, the Board is operating under the requirements of the existing by-laws. Please send expressions of interest to the CAMA Executive Director, Jeanne Geldart at [Jeanne.Geldart@fredericton.ca](mailto:Jeanne.Geldart@fredericton.ca) to be forwarded the Nomination Committee.



## **CAMA Board to Meet in Brandon, MB This Week**

The CAMA board meeting will be held in this week in Brandon, MB at the Royal Oak Hotel. The board will gather from March 5-8, 2008 to discuss the results of the CAMA member survey and their impact on the Strategic Plan.

# **CAMA Awards Program**

## **2008 Annual Awards Program – Deadline Today, March 3**

Each year CAMA recognizes the value of excellence and professionalism in municipal administration through the **Annual Awards Program** in three areas of program excellence -- Education, Environment and Innovation, based on population: municipalities fewer than 20,000 and those over 20,000. Applications must be received no later than March 3, 2008. To learn more, and get the nomination form, visit [http://www.camacam.ca/awards\\_program.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/awards_program.asp) or call the CAMA national office at 1-866-771-2262.

## **Awards of Excellence for Municipal Workplace Literacy and Learning – Deadline March 14**

The Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA) invites towns and cities, municipal unions, workplace learning committees, teachers and partners in workplace learning programs to apply for our **Municipal Workplace Literacy and Learning Awards of Excellence**. The awards will be presented during CAMA's Annual Conference in Québec City, Québec on May 27, 2008.

The awards will be presented in five categories: learner achievement; organizational commitment to creating a positive learning culture for all employees; recognition of educators, practitioners or organizations; development of effective and successful partnerships for workplace learning, clear language and e-learning; and, recognition of workplace learning/literacy, clear language and/or e-learning initiatives

You may apply on your own behalf or you may nominate someone else for an award. To be considered, applications must be received by or postmarked March 14, 2008. For more information, contact Patricia Nutter at 613-264-0111 or [pnutter@lincsat.com](mailto:pnutter@lincsat.com). You can also find out at [http://www.camacam.ca/programs\\_award\\_about.asp](http://www.camacam.ca/programs_award_about.asp).

## **Profile of 2007 Award Nominees Continues**

As activity gears up for the 2008 award program, CAMA e-Brief is pleased to continue its profile of the nominees for the 2007 CAMA Awards Program. Four awards were given out at the national conference in May 2007. Almost 30 nominations were received in total. (Submissions may be edited for space.)

### **Vancouver Police Department Patrol Deployment Study City of Vancouver, BC**

Nominee: 2007 Willis Award for Innovation (Population Over 20,000)

Using comprehensive patrol data, cutting-edge theoretical models, information on best practices and relevant qualitative information from literature on policing, the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) Patrol Deployment Study presents an unparalleled analysis of patrol officer deployment, thereby enhancing considerably management's ability to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of patrol operations.

The Study represents an innovation with respect to the way patrol operations and deployment are studied and analyzed. The Study transformed what has been, historically, essentially a superficial qualitative examination of patrol operations, into exhaustive quantitative analysis relying on historical patrol data, cutting-edge theoretical models, information on best practices, and relevant qualitative information from the literature on policing.



The Study's key recommendations are aimed at maximizing patrol efficiency, improving customer service, improving public safety, and reducing street disorder. Within the framework of the Patrol Deployment Study, the VPD has developed the management and analytical capacity to monitor and evaluate patrol deployment effectiveness on a regular and ongoing basis.

Using the analytical tools developed for the Study, future analysis of patrol deployment are able to, and will, include quantifiable outcome and output measures, and performance benchmarks that will improve management decision-making processes. The management and analytical capacity developed under the framework of the Study will also allow the VPD to estimate future staffing requirements using proven, consistent and reliable methods.

The VPD Patrol Deployment Study is one of the most exhaustive studies of its kind and positions the VPD at the leading edge of police research in this area. For more information, contact Jim Chu, Deputy Chief Constable, 604-717-3535 or [chief@vpd.ca](mailto:chief@vpd.ca).

## Membership Notes

- On behalf of the CAMA Board of Directors, we would like to welcome the following new members:
  - Mel Nott, Executive Director, Manitoba Municipal Administrators Association, Winnipeg, MB
  - Maryellen Carlson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Saskatchewan Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Regina, SK
  - Pat Vincent, Chief Administrative Officer, Parkland County, AB
  - Al McCully, General Manager, Community Services, Parkland County, AB
  - Randy Dubord, General Manager, Corporate Services, Parkland County, AB
  - Peter Steblin, City Manager, City of Coquitlam, BC

This takes our current membership total to 386 members – the highest ever for Canada's national association for municipal administrators!!

- 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).

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