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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"An Intimate Encounter with an Outrigger Plate!"

I hope that everyone reading this can all recall the two separate OGCA Members Bulletins that were circulated regarding the legislated requirement that was enacted in 2017, that reclassified some Road Building Machines to Commercial Motor Vehicles (Highway/Road Vehicles).

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OGCA 84th
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
September 14-16 2022
REGISTRATION OPEN

OGCA's 84th AGM is Now Open for Registration!

This year's event is being held at the beautiful Queens Landing in picturesque Niagara-on-the-Lake on September 14-16.

The agenda for this year includes a variety of business sessions, Niagara-on-the-Lake based activities, and the opportunity to participate in a excursion of your choice. The event will close with a celebration of our OGCA Chair through a reception and dinner.

For further details and questions, please visit our [website](#) or contact [Daniela Polsoni](#).

Sponsorship opportunities are also available at this time.

We look forward to hosting you at this years event!

Construction Inflation Alert - Associated General Contractors of North America

For more than two years, the U.S. construction industry has been buffeted by unprecedented increases in materials costs, supply-chain bottlenecks, and a tight labor market. To help project owners, government officials, and the public understand how these conditions are affecting contractors and their workers, the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) has posted frequent updates of the Construction Inflation Alert.



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When people tell me that the August Civic Holiday is the halfway point of the summer, I often respond with “there’s no need for that sort of language.” It is, however the reality of living in Ontario.

This past weekend was a busy one for all sorts of reasons. A couple of years ago, my son was gifted a parcel of land when his beloved Nonno (grandfather) passed away at the incredible age of 93. Most of this property is rented to a local farmer, but my son chose to maintain the acre closest to the road. This is the place that we fondly call The Farm.

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The Innovation Spotlight Awards is an annual opportunity to recognize the most innovative companies and professionals in the membership. The Awards program benchmarks trends and the technological evolution of the building and infrastructure industry by demonstrating and recognizing the technological advances and the overall impact on the larger industry. Award winners and nominees are showcased in the annual Innovation Spotlight publication to help further recognize and showcase the innovation in our industry.

Visit the [Building Transformations Awards](#) page for more information and to download an Awards application.

OGCA Launches "The Generals Den" in Partnership with Aon

The OGCA is helping general contractors assess innovative solutions to industry problems to help members navigate the construction technology market.

[Find out how the OGCA can assist!](#)

The Business of Digital Twins - Industry Summit

Join Building Transformations for an Industry Summit on **August 17 at noon ET** where they will dive into the business case for Digital Twins, and explore real-world case studies of how leading organizations are adopting and capitalizing on this technology.

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SAFETY

IHSA Awards Program

The IHSA is seeking nominations from the construction industry on a number of possible awards it will be presenting. If you know of anyone within the industry who is well-deserving of receiving an award, please [click here](#) to view the full list.

COR Delivers Big Health and Safety Results

The IHSA has released research results that demonstrates that certified firms have reduced participants injury rates by 28%.

Dr. Chris McLeod of the University of British Columbia presented the initial findings at the OGCA Leadership Conference on May 6. The final report has now been released and is the first in depth study of the Ontario COR certification effect on health and safety in Ontario workplaces.


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8 challenges impacting the construction industry in 2022



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LEGISLATIVE & LEGAL UPDATES

Ontario Legislative Report

The latest issue of the Ontario Legislative Reports is now available on the OGCA website. Please [click here](#) to access the latest issue.

The Ontario Legislative Report is updated every two weeks and explains the intention and status of legislation and regulations that could impact the construction industry. For issues prior to January 2021, please contact [Daniela Polsoni](#) at OGCA

EDUCATION & EVENTS

Construction Networking & Career Exploration

First Work's Aspire initiative will host a virtual career exploration event for the Construction Industry for youth (ages 15-30) in the GTA! The OGCA's very own **Pathways to ICI** Team will be joining in on the conversation talking on experiences with project managers, site supervisors and the new pathways project.

Join folks from the construction sector to network and learn more on **August 25 from 10 a.m. - noon.**

Hear industry professionals share experiences from their career journeys, learn about possible career opportunities and get advice on how to map out your own career path. Come prepared with your resume and get ready to network in breakout rooms with people in the field who want to get to know YOU and what you offer.

[Click here](#) to register: Construction Networking & Career Exploration Event - Youth Aspire

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INDUSTRY NEWS

New CCDC Documents Webinars

CCDC Document Webinars are a unique opportunity for anyone involved in construction projects so you can hear directly from CCDC authors as they explain the underlying principles behind their documents and gain a better understanding of how to use them more effectively in your business.

The CCA will be hosting two separate seminars that will teach members on some of the requirements and specifications.

If you are interested in attending, please select from the offered seminars below.

[CCDC 23 'A Guide to Calling in Bids and Awarding Construction Contracts'](#)

[CCDC Division 00 'Procurement and Contracting Requirements'](#)

ASSOCIATE PARTNER NEWS AND EVENTS

Osgoode Certificate in Construction Law

At York University is offering the Osgoode Certificate in Construction Law — National Edition, which will provide the knowledge and skills to confidently manage risk on construction projects. In this intensive certificate course, delegates will join 30+ senior legal and construction professionals to learn what they need to know about crucial construction law concepts, from contract formation to dispute resolution, with special breakout sessions for Eastern and Western Canada.

[You can learn more about the program here.](#)

Substance Abuse Assessments, Treatment and the ICI Construction Industry

I recently did a Substance Abuse Assessment for an employer and realised that there is not a lot of information available about this specific to the ICI sector, even for those with years of industry experience.

I decided to write this article detailing how an assessment works and treatment often works in the ICI sector.

The first thing I will discuss is the assessment process and the reasons for it.

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UPDATE - Infectious Disease Emergency Leave (IDEL)

Sherrard Kuzz LLP Employment and Labour Lawyers have provided a briefing note update regarding the Infectious Disease Emergency Leave (IDEL).

Learn more information on:

Extension to paid IDEL

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