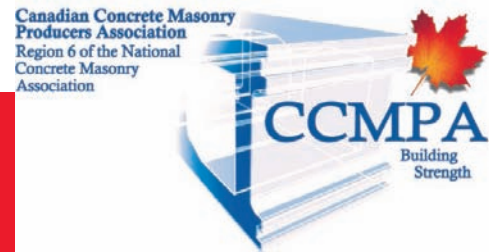




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# CCMPA *Updates*

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*A monthly email will be forwarded to keep members informed of activities and important issues that are occurring. If you have some industry information you wish to share with CCMPA members, please forward it to the CCMPA Office by the 15th of every month.*

## What is CCMPA doing for you ?

### Upcoming Events

**Members Meeting**—Wednesday, February 1st, 2012, 9:30am EST —360 Superior Blvd (CMCA Office)

**ICON Expo/NCMA Annual Meeting**—Tuesday, February 28th, 2012—Rosen Shingle Creek, Orlando Florida,

**CCMPA Members Meeting**—Wednesday, February 29th, 2012– Rosen Shingle Creek, Orlando, Florida (Room TBA)

**Western Canadian Meeting**—Thursday, June 21st, 2012—Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, Alberta (Room TBA)

### Annual General Meeting & Golf 2012

The 2012 AGM & golf tournament will return to White Oaks Resort and Spa and Peninsula Lakes Golf Course. The date for the event is Thursday, September 6th, 2012. Please save the date. Further information will be distributed in the new year.

### Golf 2011 Update

Wounded Warriors “Hand Up” Program received a cheque for **\$5,671.00** from CCMPA for the Raffle ticket sales, live auction and hole sponsorships. We wish to thank all those who supported this great cause. The individual recipient is Cpl Paul McLean of Owen Sound, Ontario. Cpl McLean is a reserve soldier with the Grey and Simcoe Forester in Owen Sound. He is a well respected and professional soldier, and won soldier of the year for 32 Brigade in 2010. On July 29th, 2010, he was injured while serving in Afghanistan. Cpl Mclean is also a licensed stone mason who presently owns a small business.



### WESTERN CANADIAN MEETING—BANFF 2012

The CCMPA Western Canadian Meeting is scheduled to take place on June 21st and 22nd, 2012 in stunning Banff, Alberta, at the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel.

We have started planning for this event and we encourage members to attend and make it a family vacation at the same time. This meeting has been a great success in the past with over 25 members in attendance.

Please make your room reservation based on the flyer sent out.

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## Wood Mid-rise Construction: The Joint Task Group Meets

In the November, 2011 CCMPA Newsletter, we noted that the Canadian Wood Council and the province of British Columbia have initiated code change requests at the national level, with the intent to gain approval on, and adopt changes to the 2015 National Building Code of Canada that essentially would permit six story buildings of wood frame construction for certain occupancies. The review of these proposed changes has been assigned to a Joint Task Group (JTG) consisting of member representation principally from the Standing Committees of Part 3 (Fire Protection) and Part 4 (Structural Design), and also from Part 5 (Environmental Separation). The first of two phases of work by the JTG is to examine the technical merits of the proposed changes.

The first meeting of the JTG was held in mid-December, and was well-attended by opponents and proponents. Meeting objectives included:

1. Review, briefly, the various Code Change Requests (CCR) submitted by the proponents.
2. Review and list all possible areas of concern.
3. Identify future research necessary of this Committee to draw conclusions.
4. Establish Sub Task Groups (STG) to examine critical issues. Throughout the meeting, industry stakeholders and other interest groups raised their concerns.

The Canadian Codes Centre has compiled a comprehensive list of issues. Because of their number and diversity, the work will be subdivided into four (4) Sub Task Groups (STG) that will report to the JTG. Each STG will be chaired by a member of the JTG. Within the STGs, Working Groups will be formed to carry out the majority of the work.

Currently, Sub Task Groups are being formed, and the next meeting of the JTG is scheduled for mid-February. It is quite evident that work must be undertaken at a fervent pace to meet development deadlines for the 2015 NBCC.

The following is a complete list of the concerns that must be addressed and resolved by the JTG, categorized by STG:

### 1. STG on Structural, Earthquake, and Mechanical systems

1. Reliability of materials and assemblies
2. Wood shrinkage and differential movement
3. Types/categories of combustible construction
4. Hybrid construction (vertically and horizontally)
5. Post disaster
6. Permitted height and area

### 2. STG on Fire Code, Construction and Demolition Sites

1. Safety during construction
2. Partial occupancy of finished buildings
3. Exposure of adjacent properties and structures
4. Emergency responder access and capability
5. Exterior fire sources
6. Fire safety plan
7. Occupant capabilities
8. Maintenance of passive and active systems
9. Water supplies

### 3. STG on Building Envelope and Environmental Separation

1. Reliability of materials, components and assemblies
2. Acoustics
3. Wood shrinkage and differential movement
4. Energy code
5. Increased environmental load

### 4. STG on Building Blocks Subsection 3.2.2.

1. Reliability of materials and assemblies
  - i. Consistency of materials
2. Encapsulation
3. Firewalls/fire separations
4. Emergency responder access and capability
5. Emergency responder protection
6. Exposing building faces
7. NFPA 13 exceptions
8. Design fire (NRC-IRC for fire resistance purposes)
9. Wood shrinkage
10. Mezzanines and interconnected floor spaces
11. Types/categories of combustible construction
  - i. Hybrid construction (vertically and horizontally).
12. Permitted combustible materials (pipe and cladding)
13. Concealed spaces and fire blocking
14. Evacuation and egress
  - i. Occupant capabilities
  - ii. Elevators, areas of refuge, and floor subdivision
15. Water supplies
16. Permitted occupancy classification
17. Post disaster
18. Permitted height and area
19. Protection systems (fire alarm, standpipe and emergency power)
20. Smoke management

## Rob Shouldice

It is with great sadness that CCMPA announces the loss of Rob Shouldice. Rob was a dear friend of many members of the Masonry Industry. Rob Shouldice of Shouldice Designer Stone, Shallow Lake, Ontario, Canada, passed away at the age of 65 on Dec. 23, 2011. Rob joined the company in 1962 and learned all phases of operation from the ground up, including operations, transportation, office and administration. Rob married June Shouldice (Ackert) in 1970, and she worked shoulder to shoulder with Rob at Shouldice Cement Products Limited. Rob became president and owner of Shouldice Cement Products Limited in 1978. He experimented with processes to make designer stone, adding value to the basic blocks. In 2012, Rob would have celebrated his fiftieth year in the concrete block and stone industry. During that time he was an active member of CCMPA & NCMA, serving on several committees as well as the Executive Committee and the board of directors. A celebration of his life, and a block truck funeral procession was held Dec. 29, 2011.

