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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 Meetings: CCMPA Members Meeting Wednesday, January 23rd, 2012—CMDC Office—360 Superior Blvd., Mississauga, ON ICON EXPO & NCMA Annual Convention January 9-13th -,2013—Indianapolis, IN CMCA Annual Meeting February 20-22nd, 2013— Hyatt Regency Indian Wells, Palm Springs, CA Annual General Meeting & Golf 2013 Thursday, September 5th, 2013, White Oaks Resort & Peninsula Lakes Golf Course

### 12th Canadian Masonry Symposium—June 2-5, 2013 , Vancouver BC

The 12th Canadian Masonry Symposium will be held in Vancouver, Canada, June 2-5, 2013. It will provide an opportunity for researchers, practitioners and industry to share the latest knowledge on diverse aspects of masonry, including design, manufacturing, construction and restoration. The symposium will serve as a forum for professionals from a broad range of disciplines, including engineers, architects, contractors, and manufacturers. This conference will provide a unique environment to facilitate synergy between masonry researchers and masonry practitioners from Canada and around the world. The symposium will build on the tradition and success of past Canadian Masonry Symposia, including the last symposium held in Toronto in 2009. <a href="https://www.cms2013.ca">www.cms2013.ca</a>

#### Ontario Masonry Design Awards (OMDA)

The second Ontario Masonry Design Awards will be held on Saturday, November 15th, 2014 at the Allstream Centre in Toronto, ON. The new website has been launched. <a href="http://www.ontariomasonrydesignaward.com">http://www.ontariomasonrydesignaward.com</a>

### **CCMPA Christmas Lunch**

On December 14th, 2012 forty-five members gathered to enjoy a festive luncheon. A new Santa made an appearance this year. Thank you Mr. De Luca. Everyone enjoyed their special gift. It was a truly enjoyable lunch.

### **Outstanding Achievement Award**

CCMPA honoured Stanley Stankiewicz at this lunch. Stanley celebrated more than fifty (50) years in the block business. Congratulations Stanley and thank you for helping to promote masonry.



# Getting the most from our Engineering Expert



Gary Sturgeon B.Eng., MSc., P.Eng.

# 2013: CCMPA's Opportunities and Challenges

Another year has ended, and 2013 is now upon us. I'd like to take this opportunity to wish the Members of CCMPA, and especially the devout readers of our Newsletter, a Happy New Year!

Whereas another year has ended, opportunities for our industry will continue to emerge and the challenges we face will be ongoing. Assuredly, the construction industry is not stagnant. It changes rapidly, and the speed of change increases with each successive year. I'll take this "New Year's Newsletter" as an opportunity to summarize some of the challenges our industry will face during Canadian Codes development in 2013, and to remind CCMPA members about our need to monitor and respond effectively in order to preserve and advance our market position.

# The National Building Code of Canada

- 1. Proposed changes that would permit 6-storey wood-frame construction under Parts 3,4,5.
- 2. Resistance to the change that would reinstate concrete masonry and concrete as the only permissible construction for 2-hr firewalls.
- 3. Proposed changes that would require maximum air leakage rates for air barrier systems under Part 5.
- 4. Proposed changes that would accept ULC standards for EIFS materials and installation under Part 5.
- 5. Proposed changes to Part 5 that would use Apparent Sound Transmission Class (ASTC) as the means to establish air-borne sound performance compliance.
- 6. Resistance to a change to Part 5 that would require 6-storey wood-frame construction to require a rainscreen cladding system.
- 7. Proposed changes that would accept EIFS as a prescribed cladding system under Part 9.
- 8. Under Part 9, the introduction of energy efficiency requirements for Housing and Small Buildings that will require profoundly high R-values for exterior wall systems.

# The National Energy Code of Canada

- 1. The introduction/publishing of the first energy code in Canada for other than Part 9 buildings, requiring (alarmingly!) high R-values for all exterior wall systems.
- 2. Proposed changes that would require use of an energy target for nearly all buildings, and which may displace the existing performance compliance path.
- 3. Proposed changes that would require maximum air leakage rates for air barrier systems.
- 4. The introduction of a User's Guide that may well disallow the thermal resistance contribution of cladding materials
  - outboard of a vented air space.
- 5. The possibility that existing permissible energy requirements may again be "tightened".

# CCMPA's WESTERN CANADIAN MEETING – VANCOUVER 2013

The 2013 Western Canadian Meeting will be held in Vancouver BC and will directly follow the 12th Canadian Masonry Symposium in order to give members a good opportunity to attend both meetings. The CCMPA meetings will take place on Thursday, June 6th and Friday, June 7th, 2013 at the Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver. Members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

For more details about the 2013 meeting in Vancouver, BC, please contact M. de Souza at the CCMPA Office. information@ccmpa.ca

