

New Safety Research & Construction Industry Leadership Team Announced

Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton 2016-2017 Board of Directors Share 2 Year Study - Unionized Contractors 23% Safer



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(September 19, 2016 SOUTHERN ONTARIO) –The Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton (MCAH), representing mechanical construction industry employers in the south central Ontario regions of Hamilton, Halton, Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk Counties recently announced their 2016-17 board of directors. As a not for profit organization, and an accredited bargaining agency founded in 1966 with the Ontario Labour Relations Board, the association is mandated to develop policies and programming to achieve: Innovative education

offerings, to promote construction leadership excellence, establish community partnerships and to support economic development reinvestment that reinforce the construction industry's highest standards for mechanical contractors, and their suppliers. Learn more by watching **Reaching New Heights – “Building Communities By Investing In People”**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X62dTT9_WKM

Unionized Contractors Are 23% Safer. The results have just been released, as a 2 year study based on WSIB claims data from 45,000 construction firms, employing 1.5 million full time employees was compiled by the Institute for Work and Health's Union Safety Effect <http://unionizedconstructionworks.com/safety/> President Jason Campbell remarks, “Every developer, general contractor and owner should review and understand this study. We finally have the documentation to prove what we as the community of Building Trade Contractors have been sure of for many years. By having contracts awarded to local firms who have invested to be the safest in their field and employ local talent that are infused with the culture of safe work, they will have safer and more productive projects which will strengthen our Southern Ontario economy.”

The association network continues to monitor the construction industry closely to remain proactive while addressing diversified trends, changes in technology and governing policies which fulfills our mandate. A recent 50 year market analysis mirrors the changes MCAH is witnessing in the Canadian industrial and manufacturing economies continually emphasizing the need for our unionized sector to negotiate more workable collective agreements with our industry partner UA Local 67, aligning our common goals.

The leadership of the board of directors governs the following association services:

- Education Programs and support through the Construction Education Council
- Training and Apprenticeship Programs
- Industry Supplier Associate Memberships
- Member Education Scholarships
- Support for the McMaster University Heavy Construction Chair and Student Chapter
- Government Liaison, Community Support and Economic Development Partnerships
- Member Social Networking Opportunities and Engagement

MCAH membership also provides valuable connections to Provincial, National and International associations through MCA Ontario, MCA Canada and MCA America.

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(Photo Front Row Left to Right): Paul Shewfelt Plan Group, Doug Cormier BML Multitrades Group, Immediate Past President - Lorraine Waller Matrix North American Construction Ltd.

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