

New Leadership, New Branding Leads To New '23% Safer' Construction Conversation

"Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton Niagara Board of Directors Uncover Hard Hitting Facts Saving Lives"

(December 6, 2018 SOUTHERN ONTARIO) – Bottom line, when a construction industry consolidation works, the consequences can be lifesaving.

When the Mechanical Contractors Association of Hamilton and Mechanical Contractors Niagara Inc. joined forces this year, a new dialogue took shape. Establishing their corporate identity, unifying constitutional and governance documents well positioned the association to represent all contractor members located in Hamilton, Niagara, Halton, Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk Counties. A new directive raised the bar even higher, by introducing the Worker Readiness Training Fund. This safety initiative provides an additional resource for employers, trades personnel and apprentices to ensure relevant training certifications essential to maintain workplace safety are completed in a timely manner. Managed by the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, construction employers in partnership with industry partner United Association Of Journeymen & Apprentices Plumbing & Pipe Fitting Industry/Local 67, this collaboration is addressing the fast paced, changing safety certifications and working environments.

In addition, a recent 2 year research study based on WSIB claims data from 40,000 construction firms, employing 1.5 million full time employees, compiled by the Institute for Work and Health's Union Safety Effect was discovered, by the newly formed Mechanical Contractors Association of Hamilton Niagara (MCAHN). The impact of the unionized sector's reputable high training standards and years of significant employer fund contributions to safety have finally been tracked. The data disclosed the reciprocal benefits of the unionized contractors investment, representing a 23% Safer effect, saving lives and preventing injuries.

<http://unionizedconstructionworks.com/safety/>



(Photo Front Row Left to Right): Greg Crawford - MCAHN Director/Vice President, Anthony DeChellis - E.S. Fox Ltd./President, Scott Wright - Gordon Wright Mechanical Ltd./Treasurer (Back Row Left to Right): Lorraine Waller - Matrix North American Construction Ltd./ Director, Michael Leone - Procon Constructors Inc./Director, Jason Campbell - Aecon Industrial/Immediate Past President, Kyle Getty - Plan Group/Director, Jim DiNovo - BML Multi Trades Group Ltd./Director, Pat Cimek - E.S. Fox Ltd./Director.

"We're ready for a new conversation."

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*"On behalf of our contractor members, united safety priorities established with our industry partner UA Local 67 are without question producing the best trained, highly skilled and hardest working building tradespeople in our industry. Maintaining the UA **Standard of Excellence**, while addressing the needs of the Canadian Construction market with workable agreements is generating new productivity benchmarks while keeping workers safe on the job."*

MCAHN President, Anthony DeChellis

As a not for profit organization, and an accredited bargaining agency founded in 1966 with the Ontario Labour Relations Board, the MCAHN association is mandated to develop policies and programming to achieve innovative education offerings, to promote construction leadership excellence, to 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

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

- Education Programs and support through the Construction Education Council/Member Education Scholarships/Subsidies
- Training and Apprenticeship Programs/Health & Safety/Essential Workplace Certifications
- Industry Supplier Associate Memberships
- 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

The MCAHN resource network represents an extensive scope of Provincial, National and International governance associations through MCA Ontario, MCA Canada and MCA America.



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