CWA News – the voice of the welding industry in Canada

April 2004

Canadian Welding Association – Western Board of Directors meeting

CWA's Western Board of Directors meeting will be held in Vancouver, BC on Saturday, May 1, 2004. It will be held at the Richmond Inn, just south of the Vancouver International Airport. Directors will address the ongoing business of the association, as well as any new issues that are brought forward from members and chapters.

Establishment of a CWA BC chapter

In conjunction with the Board of Directors meeting in Richmond, the Board will host a reception and meeting on Friday evening, April 30, at the Richmond Inn. The objective of the meeting, besides the opportunity for directors to get together and discuss association issues, is to meet with members of the welding community in British Columbia and establish a CWA chapter. All welding professionals from across BC are invited to attend. RSVP to the CWA national office.

Changes to CWA's Board of Directors

There have been two recent additions to the CWA's Board of Directors, representing BOC Canada and Praxair:

- Elgin Hartsell, Product Manager, Welding & Cutting Systems, BOC Canada Limited, replaces long-time CWA & WPMAC directors Marc Desjeans and Guy Le Houillier.
- Dave Wilson, Director for Industrial Hard Goods at Praxair.

CWA welcomes our two new directors and thanks Marc and Guy for their contributions over the years to the governance and direction of the association.

Job Opportunity on CWA's website

We just posted a job opportunity on the website for TIG welders in Brampton. (See our website www.cwa-acs.org and click on "Job Opportunities.")

Members have been posting their résumés to the website. It's a service that's offered free to members and has resulted in employment for several members.

Educational institutions are encouraged to post listings of their students on their websites. CWA will provide links from the résumés webpage to those listings.

Weld Expo Canada

The CWA Suppliers Committee has been working with Reed Exhibitions toward a successful Weld Expo Canada trade show, September 28 to 30, 2004 in Toronto. To encourage attendance, CWA suppliers are assembling the ***Dream Welding Workshop***. Some lucky attendee will win the raffle of a collection of our supplier members' equipment, supplies and consumables – definitely a prize welders dream of.

Northern College's Welding Industry Visioning Forum

The Welding Industry Visioning Forum is moving ahead with CWA participation. A task force consisting of representatives from many areas of the welding industry has been formed to move the process ahead.

Complete documentation on the progress of the process can be seen on CWA's website at www.cwa-acs.org/vision.

Canadian Welding Association Journal

The spring 2004 issue *Canadian Welding Association Journal* is in the final editing process. You should see it in the mail in mid-May.

Let us know what you think.

The themes for the next issues of the Journal are the latest technology in welding and welding fabricators. If you are interested in providing an article or suggesting an author or topic, please contact CWA's national office or visit the "Guidelines for Authors" page on CWA's website.

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