



CWA NEWS

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NEW MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS COMING SOON!

We are developing a series of exciting programs that will grow our membership and achieve our targets of 15,000 members by April 2010 and 50,000 within 5 years.

The Individual membership program will be rolled out this May. Corporate memberships are currently being evaluated and we should have an enhanced offering by June this year.

In May, we will be launching our Membership Value Card program designed to benefit the Individual member, sponsorship companies and our welding community as a whole. The Individual membership offers three levels: Premium at \$75, Standard at \$50 and Basic that is a free complimentary level but offers a \$25 value. More information to follow.



SKILLS CANADA REGIONAL COMPETITIONS

Many students are competing at local, regional and provincial levels for a chance to participate at the Canadian Skills competitions in **Charlottetown, PEI from May 20-23**. Please drop by and support these events in your local communities.

WHERE CAN A WELDING CAREER TAKE YOU?

We have developed a new student career flyer that can be downloaded from our website. It is intended to show the students the many pathways that are available to them, how wages are comparable to other trades and professions, as well as a variety of welding fields and what they need to get started.

For further information, please follow the attached link and visit our website: www.cwa-accs.org



WARNING: NICKEL WIRE SCAM

Shell Oil Company has notified us about a very sophisticated nickel wire scam that may have run its course in the U.S.A. and is now setting up shop in Canada. It starts by scammers calling a distributor asking for a very special nickel wire that is not normally carried. The distributor calls a number of suppliers and eventually calls the scamming company, saying they have been unable to source the wire. The scammer then suggests that they call a fictitious company that he owns. The distributors will call the fictitious company and they, of course, have lot of product in stock. The scammer needs product in a hurry for a job at a petrochemical plant. The distributor does not have an account and must pay in advance by a credit card or money wire transfer. For more information, please follow the attached link: http://www.khou.com/news/local/crime/stories/khou090118_mp_welding-company-scam.75b874d.html

10TH ANNUAL ATLANTIC STUDENT WELD-OFF SLATED FOR APRIL 17

The **Nova Scotia Chapter** will be hosting the 10th annual Atlantic Provinces Student Weld-off this year at the Nova Scotia Community College, Pictou Campus on Friday, April 17, from 8-3p.m. Industry professionals will be on hand to provide information on career opportunities in their organization. Suppliers will also be on hand to display their products and promote their company to the soon-to-be graduating students and the top student welders from across the East Coast. Information on apprenticeships and training will also be available, as well as Campus tours. All are welcome to watch the event as the day goes on and stay for the barbeque lunch to raise money for the Student Emergency Fund. Free admission.

HAMILTON CHAPTER INDUSTRY EDUCATION FORUM IV

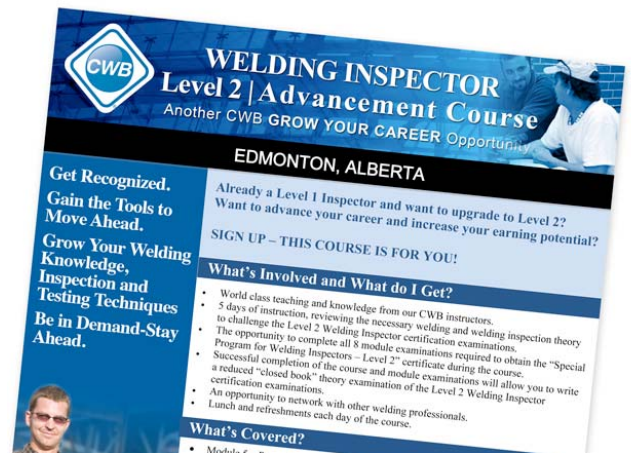
This annual event was held on April 1, 2009 with 18 high schools taking part. Each participating school received an electronic welding helmet and a \$100 gift card to be given to one student at graduating ceremonies. Former high school welding students **Kerry Anne Thompson** and **Denise Desjardins** spoke at the event about their experiences since leaving school and about working as a welding inspector and a welder, respectively.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The CWB 2009/10 training calendar has been finalized. A range of courses in both English and French are available to those looking to upgrade their skills. Current offerings include:

- Welding Supervisor Course
- Level 1 Inspector Course
- Welding Health & Safety
- Welding Inspector Code Endorsement Courses – W47.1/W59, Z662, B31.3

Click on <http://www.cwbgroup.org> to see a full listing of courses on offer.



WELDING INSPECTOR
Level 2 | Advancement Course
Another CWB GROW YOUR CAREER Opportunity

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

Already a Level 1 Inspector and want to upgrade to Level 2?
Want to advance your career and increase your earning potential?
SIGN UP – THIS COURSE IS FOR YOU!

What's Involved and What do I Get?

- World class teaching and knowledge from our CWB instructors.
- 5 days of instruction, reviewing the necessary welding and welding inspection theory to challenge the Level 2 Welding Inspector certification examinations.
- The opportunity to complete all 5 module examinations required to obtain the "Special Program for Welding Inspectors - Level 2" certificate during the course.
- Successful completion of the course and module examinations will allow you to write a reduced "closed book" theory examination of the Level 2 Welding Inspector certification examinations.
- An opportunity to network with other welding professionals.
- Lunch and refreshments each day of the course.

What's Covered?

- Module 1 - ...

17th ANNUAL MIKE IRVINE GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 17th Annual Mike Irvine Golf Tournament will be held at King's Forest on Thursday June 4. This event generally raises \$10,000 each year in support of the high school welding programs. Please register early and avoid being disappointed. Please fill out the registration form on the next page, and also indicate if you are going to sponsor a hole this year. Thank you for your support.



MIKE IRVINE MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT – 2009

**King's Forest Golf Club, Hamilton
100 Greenhill Ave, Hamilton, ON L8K 6M4
Thursday, June 4, 2009**

Registration: 11 am – 12:30 pm sharp SHOTGUN start.

- CWA tradition for 17 years – Hosted by Golden Triangle, Hamilton and Toronto Chapters.
- Average \$10,000 raised each year.
- Proceeds are donated to local high school welding programs towards equipment, supplies and services.

Put together a group of up to four, or we can slot you in with a group with your fellow welding professionals for a day of golf, fun, food and prizes.

All prices include applicable taxes:

CWA Members: \$155/golfer

Non-Members: \$175/golfer

CWA Corporate Member Sponsorship Price: \$275

Corporate Non-Members: \$325

Dinner Only (CWA Members): \$50

Dinner Only (Non-Members): \$60

Sign Up:

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Payment Options:

Cheque payable to: Mike Irvine Memorial Golf Tournament

VISA MasterCard

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Register by email at: info@cwbgroupp.org or by phone, fax or mail:

Canadian Welding Association, 7250 West Credit Ave. Mississauga, ON L5N 5N1

Credit Card Payment: Fax this sheet to:
CWA Golf Tournament Processing at 905-542-1318

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