



ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF HOME INSPECTORS

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Notes from the Board of Directors

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Changes to Fee Structures

We are removing the reinstatement fee for Students and Friends of the Board.

Yearly dues for Retired Members will be reduced from the current \$200 to \$50 if they get communications electronically, and \$100 if they receive hard copy mail-outs.

Any Retired members who have already paid the higher fees will have their memberships extended to reflect the new fee schedule.

Systematic Review of Procedures

The Board plans to systematically review the procedures of the various committees over the next few months. In May we will be reviewing the Discipline and Professional Practices Committee, in June the Education Committee, and in July the Technical Review Committee.

Disability Insurance

On an initiative from Bob Johnston RHI, the Board is looking at the possibility of having a preferred disability insurance package available to the membership that would be affordable and provide reasonable coverage in the event of injury. We have received information on one plan and will be looking at others as well. If anyone has knowledge of a good disability plan, please forward the information to the Secretary.

The OAH Provincial Office

The new Provincial Office is a reality. The agreement with AATO was signed last week. The address of the OAH Provincial Office is Suite 207, 1515 Matheson Blvd. E., Mississauga ON. These accommodations provide us with a central storage space and an excellent meeting room suitable for Board meetings, Committee meetings and many of our training programs. It is estimated that this will result in a savings of several thousand dollars in room rentals. **Note: This does not change the mailing address of the OAH (see above).**

Readers Digest

Check out the latest Readers Digest magazine. It has a very complimentary article about home inspectors. Congratulations to the following inspectors who contributed to this: Roy Cooke, Jr. and Jeff Clark from Ontario, Richard Gorman from the Maritimes and Brian Crewe from Quebec. This article is most favourable and refers to realist prices for a home inspection.

Retirement Reception for Jennie Witteveen

A retirement reception was held on Friday April, 25th to thank Jennie Witteveen for her many years of service and dedication to OAH as Administrator and Registrar. It was a pleasant evening for those in attendance and Jennie has promised to send a postcard from wherever she and her husband, Ike, decide to go with the travel gift certificate the Association presented her with.

Special Note

Many of you may have heard that Encon will not renew the CAHI National Insurance program for the coming year. President, Andrew Dixon, and the Insurance Committee Chair, Roy Cooke, Jr., are in close communication with Pierre Thibodeau as he negotiates with other potential carriers. The Board with the Insurance Committee will be examining all options available to the Association. We will try to keep you up-to-date as this issue unfolds.

*George Webb RHI
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