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## PROGRAM

**DATE:** May 17, 1994  
**THEME:** HISTORICAL EVENT  
**SPEAKER:** MR. LAURENT MESSIER

Mr. Laurent Messier is a Heritage Consultant in the Heritage Programmes Unit of the City of Ottawa wherein he researches and lectures on topics of specific interest to our area. Mr. Messier has a Masters Degree in Canadian History from the University of Ottawa which leaves him well suited for this position and our talk tonight.

**SUBJECT:** LT. COLONEL BY AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE RIDEAU CANAL

In tune with the ASHRAE Centennial, this month's theme will take on a historical flavour namely: "Lt. Colonel By and the Construction of the Rideau Canal". Mr. Messier will provide a combination of historical information highlighting the arrival of John By and his six years of hard labour with specific sketches of hardships encountered during the construction of this landmark waterway that runs through our City.

## MENU

Hot and Cold Buffet  
Roast Hip of Beef  
Baked Potato, Vegetable  
Tossed Greens  
Cole Slaw  
Pasta Vegetable Salad  
Fresh Vegetable Tray  
Strawberries Romanoff

SOCIAL - 17:30 Hrs

DINNER - 18:30 - 20:00 Hrs

PROGRAM - 20:00 Hrs

Phileas Fogg Metropolitan House  
99 Bank Street, MacDonald Room

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The theme for this month's meeting is history, and why NOT? ASHRAE is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 1994. Our chapter has greatly contributed to the success and longevity of the Society and we should always remember and recognize our founding members.

So come out and enjoy my final chapter meeting as your humble president. It has been suggested that the meeting be adjourned to the Prescott for beer and hockey. So keep it in mind!

See you there!

Ross McIntyre  
President



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**CRC '94**  
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Well my time is up!

I want to thank all my committee chairperson's and their associated members for their support and excellent work this past year.

I want to especially thank my nominating committee chairman for this attempt to "oust the president" one month in advance. However, thanks to my supporters, I was triumphant in fighting off the attempted coup and my loyal followers cheered!

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**TOUR OF PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS - EAST BLOCK  
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 1994**

We are very pleased to announce a tour of the historic East Block including a visit to the Main Mechanical Room and historic rooms such as the Sir John A. MacDonald and Governor General's Suite.

Tour guides will be Mr. Glenn Duncan, Director of Parliamentary precincts, PWGSC, and Mr. Ruedi Weber of Clemann Large Patterson, representing the Mechanical Design Consultant.

Everyone is to meet at PWGSC offices at 185 Sparks Street, 2nd Floor Boardroom by 4:00 p.m. *Sharp*.

Please call Mike Swayne at 828-2000 by the end of the day, Monday, May 16, 1994 to reserve a spot.

**REFRIGERATION SEMINAR VIDEO**

A video of the refrigeration seminar, held on February 15, 1994, will be available at a nominal cost (to be confirmed once the copying details are finalized), until December 31, 1994.

Fifty percent of all profits will be forwarded to ASHRAE Research Canada. Note that the ASHRAE Ottawa Valley Chapter, and the seminar speakers, are not liable for any costs or damages resulting from the video.

To obtain a copy of the video, contact Paul Baker or Pierre Scott at 225-8040.

**ASHRAE RESEARCH PROMOTION**

Response to our Research campaign has been very positive. Contributors generally have maintained historical contribution levels or increased in many cases. This has been very gratifying for our committee but we have a significant way to go to meet our "Challenge Goal" from society.

Over the next two weeks the final solicitations will be made and everyone should be contacted.

If you are not approached in the near future, please call me directly at 596-9111.

Neil Armstrong

**HISTORICAL EVENT**

The May Chapter meeting this year is more than just the usual Past Presidents' night. We will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of ASHRAE and taking a historical look at the Ottawa Valley Chapter.

One of the strengths of our Chapter has been our continuity from year to year. The various committees take note of their successes (and shortcomings if any) in any given year and pass this knowledge on to their replacements. This results in a chapter that is continually innovating and improving from year to year. We think of our recent successes as part of the innovation process but at some point our earlier successes become *history*.

Join us at this month's meeting and help celebrate our history. In the Table Top area you will find items from the chapter archives, old HVAC equipment and old Handbooks from the days when **all** the units were British (except for the gallons - they were American).

Paul Baker  
Chapter Historian

**TABLE TOP DISPLAY**

Contact Paul Séguin at 228-9037 for more information on presenting a table top at upcoming meetings.

Now is the time to plan for 1994/1995 meetings.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

The Education Committee is seeking ASHRAE members who may be interested in teaching a design course in "Design Principles in HVAC for Energy Management Systems" and/or "Fundamental Design Principles (Theory and Practice)". Please contact Robert Pollak at 226-3300 ext. 267 for more information.

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## WHAT THE HECK IS CRC?

About this time every year members are encouraged to think about attending the Region "CRC". I would guess that probably 50 percent of our members have no idea what CRC is, and that many of those at least think that they don't care! What I'd like to do here is to clear up, in everyone's mind, exactly what goes on at CRC and why more people ought to think about going.

First of all, CRC stands for Chapters Regional Conference. Each of the 12 ASHRAE regions has one every year, rotating the site among the chapters of the region. This year the CRC for our region will be held in Ottawa August 11-13 at the historic Chateau Laurier Hotel with banquet dinner at the National Gallery of Canada. (Come see "Voice of Fire").

So what goes on at CRC? Well, a lot! It's hard to believe that so many activities can fit into such a short time.

Each chapter sends an official delegate and alternate to the CRC. The conference begins with an Executive Caucus, where instructions concerning nominations to the regional and society positions are given to the delegates and alternates by the regional chairman. This informal meeting is followed by the Executive session, where those nominations actually take place.

After the Executive Session, the room is opened to anyone interested for the first general business session. It is here that motions are made to implement new regional and society policies, and each chapter is given the opportunity to give a report on it's past year's activities and accomplishments.

Lunch includes an address by a high-ranking Society Officer, sometimes the president. He gives insight into where ASHRAE is going, and how we are going on current programs. One thing everyone is excited about is ASHRAE's 100th Anniversary in 1994.

There are many activities from which to choose for current and prospective Chapter Officers and committee chairmen, there are operations and committee seminars for Education, Research Promotions, Energy and Technical Affairs, and Refrigeration. There are also a couple of technical programs.

The Awards luncheon is where the chapters who have won the Presidential Award of Excellence receive their banner patches. Several other awards are also given including the outstanding chapter award, the Travelling Meat Ball Award (for the chapter with the highest product of attendees times miles travelled) and the "Top Dog" Award (for the Research Promotion Chairman in the region who does the best job relative to his chapter size).

Spouses and significant others have not been forgotten either! In addition to all the dinners, luncheons, and parties, there are special tours and shopping excursions planned, along with special programs. There is no reason for anyone to be bored for a minute at the CRC.

The bottom line is that CRC is "Where the Action is" in ASHRAE. Anyone interested in meeting people from other chapters, or in becoming involved on the local level as an officer or committee person, or getting some insight on how ASHRAE operates, can and should attend.

For more information on the upcoming Ottawa CRC, please contact Mike Swayne in Ottawa at tel. (613) 828-2000/fax (613) 828-1011.